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Cool Davis Awards 2014

*Eco-Hero Awards and Climate Solution Awards*

**AWARD AND NOMINATION INFORMATION**

**The Eco-Hero Awards** were established to honor some of the often hidden heroes among us who are forging and implementing new ways to live lightly on our planet - with a lower carbon footprint and/or less impact on the environment. Eco-hero nominees may be chosen for a particular personal effort, for volunteer efforts in the community, and/or for their work within groups or organizations.

**Climate Solution Awards for Businesses, Non-profits, and other groups** were established to recognize local businesses, non-profits, and groups for their exemplary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and/or lessen their impact on the environment within their organization, in our local community, and/or in the world.

**Award recipients** are chosen by a Cool Davis Committee and approved by the Cool Davis Board. The awards will be presented on Sunday afternoon, April 27, 2014 during a special Earth Day celebration, “Call of the Wolf,” featuring music, song, dance and storytelling.

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

* Nominees’ efforts relate to a Cool Davis theme:

**Transportation** - helping our community shift to non-fossil fuel vehicles and modes,

**Consumption**  - reducing consumption and waste related to food, water, goods, and services, and/or

**Built energy** - conserving and promoting efficiency of energy use in homes and/or commercial buildings.

* Nominee’s actions/achievements reduce GHG emissions (carbon footprint) and/or environmental impact.
* Nominee’s create innovative solutions to real-life problems that can be replicated by others.
* Nominee’s actions/achievements show a commitment to an on-going, long-term effort.
* Nominees have a strong Davis connection, and preferably a Davis address..

**NOMINATIONS**

In order to be considered, all nominations must be submitted electronically or mailed. All nomination forms must be delivered by noon on March 10. Nominations are limited to 3 pages plus the nomination form, and must include the following:

* The name, (name of company, if appropriate), address, phone number, and an email address of the nominee/s, as well as the name, address, phone number, and an email address of the nominator.
* Which Cool Davis Theme relates to the efforts of the nominee/s.
* How the nominee/s’ actions/achievements reduce GHG emissions and lessen environmental impact.
* How the nominee/s’ efforts are creative, innovative, and/or scalable.
* That the nominee/s has an established record of actions/achievement and shows a commitment long-term..
* Any other information that supports the nominee/s’ application.

Note: descriptions of past recipients and their efforts are available on the Cool Davis website: <http://www.cooldavis.org/2011/10/04/eco-heroes-to-be-honored-at-cool-davis-festival/> or <http://www.cooldavis.org/2013/05/07/robyn-waxman-2013-eco-hero-award/>.

**Nomination forms** are online at http://www.cooldavis.org. To submit a nomination, e-mail your nomination packet to info@cooldavis.org or send it to Cool Davis Awards, P.O. Box 4013, Davis, CA 95617. If you have questions, call Judy at 756-4639.

***Deadlines:* All nominations must be RECEIVED by Noon, Monday, March 10, 2014.**