

2026 TDW STATEWIDE AWARDS GUIDELINES

Each year at Convention, TDW recognizes local chapters and members for their outstanding work and notable Texas Democrats for exceptional dedication, commitment, and activism to the betterment of Texas. TDW members and Chapters are encouraged to submit nominations in all categories.

Winners will be determined by the Awards Committee, whose members are Past Presidents of TDW chaired by the Immediate Past President.

RULES

1. Nomination forms and supporting materials for the *Oscar Mauzy Humanitarian Award* and the *Dr. Mae Jackson Outstanding Democratic Woman Elected Official*, and *Texas Democratic Woman of the Year* are due **DECEMBER 7, 2025** to be considered for awards that will be presented in person on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2026 at the Marriott South Austin, 4415 South I-35 Access Rd. Nominations for all other categories must be received by **DECEMBER 15, 2025**.
2. Each nomination must be accompanied by a separate and complete awards nomination form and any supporting materials associated with the nomination.
3. All Chapter and member nominees must be current in their dues to TDW.
4. Materials must be emailed or mailed to:

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- **Dr. Mae Jackson Outstanding Democratic Woman Elected Official Award** - presented to a Democratic woman elected official whose courage, accomplishments, and leadership have promoted the increased political activity and influence of Democratic women in Texas politics and government. The nominee need not be a TDW member.
- **Oscar Mauzy Humanitarian Award** - presented to a Democrat whose career of distinguished public or civic service is in the best tradition of the late Texas Supreme Court Justice Oscar Mauzy. The nominee need not be a TDW member.
- **Texas Democratic Outstanding Member of the Year** - presented to a TDW member who has consistently enhanced the image and viability of Texas Democratic Women. The nominee must be a member in good standing of TDW.
- **Chapter Certificates of Achievement** - presented to TDW chapters that have achieved goals consistent with the mission of TDW. Certificates will be given to any chapter that submits an Awards nomination form and has achieved the following criteria:
 1. Paid TDW chapter dues for 2026.
 2. Have ten (10) or more members in good standing.
 3. Have submitted minutes from two or more meetings in 2025. Submit at least two sets of minutes signed by the Chapter secretary or president.