



*2005*  
Innovation In State Government Awards



*Washington*  
**Secretary of State**  
SAM REED



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March 16, 2005  
11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Capitol Rotunda  
Legislative Building - Capitol Campus

Presented by the Productivity Board

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## Putting Ideas to Work

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Since its inception 22 years ago, the Productivity Board has saved Washington State taxpayers more than \$50 million in first-year savings with subsequent savings over 22 years. To date, about 23,000 frontline employees have improved government through the Productivity Board Programs.

This program allows employees to submit money-saving ideas through either the Employee Suggestion Program, Agency Unique Program or the Teamwork Incentive Program.

The Employee Suggestion Program rewards individuals for submitting original ideas that save the state money, generate revenue, and improve services within state government.

**First-year savings since 1982 -- \$31.3 million**

The Agency Unique Suggestion Program administered internally by the Department of General Administration

**First-year savings since 2000 -- \$388,400**

The Teamwork Incentive Program encourages groups of employees to create innovative solutions to improve use of team and resources and streamlined processes.

**First-year savings since 1982 -- \$18.5 million**

## Teamwork Incentive Program

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**Court Ordered Restitution Reporting Process Improvement**  
Department of Social & Health Services - Savings \$30,363

Patty Bonner  
Judy Gault  
Barbara Ochs  
Ronald Smith

**DSA 2 Claims Consultants**  
Department of Labor and Industries - Savings \$14,790

Delores Carter  
June Gorsky  
Tami Stayton  
Nancy Van Kirk  
Cherie Wagaman  
James Wheeler

## Honorable Mention

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The following employees are recognized for making Washington government more efficient:

Donald Baggarly	Department of Social & Health Services
Michelle Bakken	Department of Corrections
Peter Beaton	Department of Revenue
Catherine Bellows	Department of Social & Health Services
Travis Boling	Department of Licensing
Stephanie Bryant	Washington State Patrol
Jean Bushnell	Department of Labor & Industries
Renae Byre	Department of Corrections
Wendy Carlton	Department of Social & Health Services
H. LeGrand Clarkson	Department of Transportation
Heather Dalberg	Liquor Control Board
Terry Danielle	Department of Labor & Industries
Mark Elliott	Department of Corrections
Deana Ensley	Department of Labor & Industries
John Erickson	Department of Fish & Wildlife
Susan Fleskes	Department of Social & Health Services
Antonio Fuoco	Department of Social & Health Services
Jesse Greenlaw	Department of Corrections
Kathy Jadin	Department of Labor & Industries
Cynthia McCloskey	Department of Social & Health Services
Harlan Ohlson	Department of Transportation
Karen Olson	Department of Social & Health Services
Joseph Pass	Washington State Patrol
Angela Ramacher	Department of Labor & Industries
Linda Rogers	Department of Labor & Industries
Shelly Roundsley	Department of Labor & Industries
Deana Schultz	Department of Social & Health Services
Chris Simpson	Department of Social & Health Services
Barbara Sinitzer	Department of Labor & Industries
Imogene Tackett	Department of Natural Resources
Michael Watte	Department of Labor & Industries

## Program

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### Master of Ceremonies

- State Auditor Brian Sonntag

### Opening Remarks

### Presentation of Awards

- Secretary of State Sam Reed
- Elected Officials and Productivity Board Members

### Employee Suggestion Awards

- Outstanding Evaluators (Selected by participating employing agency)
- Most Innovative Ideas (Selected by Productivity Board Staff)
- Top Suggestions

### Agency Unique Award

- General Administration

### Agency Awards

- Top Savings

### Coordinator of the Year

- To be announced

### Teamwork Incentive Program Awards

- Court Ordered Restitution Reporting Process Improvement
- DSA 2 Claims Consultants

### Reception Following

## Outstanding Evaluators

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Selected by the participating employing agency.

### **Patrick Collins**

Selected by Department of Health

### **James Matthews**

Selected by the Department of Health

### **Wally McClure**

Selected by the Department of Social & Health Services

### **Mariann Schols**

Selected by the Department of Social & Health Services

## Innovative Suggestions

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Selected by Productivity Board Staff

### **Robert Rooks**

Department of Transportation

### **Loren Gomez**

Department of Social & Health Services

### **Ben Taves**

Lake Washington Technical College

## Top Suggestions

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### **Gary Van Cleef**

Department of Labor & Industries  
\$305,000

### **Carol Cox**

Department of Licensing  
\$135,389

### **Barry Sommers**

Department of Social & Health  
Services  
\$71,965

### **Carissa Glassburn**

Higher Education  
Coordinating Board  
\$18,000

### **Jeff Potesky**

Department of Corrections  
\$11,000

## Agency Awards

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### **Large Agency with Highest Savings**

Department of Labor and Industries  
\$305,000

### **Small/Mid Agency with Highest Savings**

Higher Education Coordinating Board  
\$18,000

### **Agency Unique Award**

Department of General Administration  
Aaron Heath

### **Coordinator of the Year**

To be Announced