

# Gov. Walker: Requests nominations for 2017 Governor's Financial Literacy Awards

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**MADISON** - Governor Walker and the Governor's Council on Financial Literacy are accepting nominations for the 2017 Governor's Financial Literacy Award through December 1, the Council announced this week. Nominations may be made in one of three categories:

- Individual - Any person providing exceptional financial literacy education in an innovative manner.
- Organization/business - Any organization or business promoting financial literacy in an innovative manner through its initiatives.
- Legacy - An organization, business or individual whose purpose and heritage is ingrained in sustained financial literacy and capability, and whose reputation in doing so is held in high regard in serving as a model for others in carrying on the work of supporting financial literacy and expanding opportunities through financial capability. This lifetime recognition is intended to be conferred once to the recipients.

Criteria that will be used to judge the nominations include:

- Innovative implementation of an effective financial literacy program or program element within the last two years.
- Demonstrated measureable results.
- Collaboration with partners.
- Scalability of the program design.

Nominations may be submitted online by clicking [here](#). The Governor's Council will select recipients in December. Last year, the Council selected [15 individuals and organizations](#) as recipients of the 2016 award. They were honored by Governor Scott Walker in a ceremony at the Capitol.

The Department of Financial Institutions (DFI), through its Office of Financial Literacy (OFL), promotes financial literacy statewide. DFI Secretary Jay Risch and Office of the Commissioner of Insurance Commissioner Ted Nickel are co-vice chairs of the Governor's Council, while OFL Director David Mancl serves as the council's executive director.