

# Toquaht Nation Government Achievement and Excellence Awards

The TNG Achievement and Excellence Awards have been created to recognize achievements of Toquaht Citizens in the areas of Community Services, Academics, and Athletics and Sports. A citizen can be nominated by another Toquaht community member including family, friends, as well as the Toquaht Nation Government leadership and administration. TNG Awards will be awarded by August 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

The 3 awards are named after exceptional Toquaht individuals who have contributed to the respective areas of service, achievement, and excellence. We would like to celebrate our Elder Toquaht individuals who have paved the way for all Toquaht citizens to succeed in a variety of ways.

**Community Service:** This award is to recognize Toquaht citizens for their contributions to community. The award is named after taayii ɥawit̓ t̓iitskiisup (Bert Mack) whose tireless work enhanced Toquaht community well-being through treaty negotiations. taayii ɥawit̓ t̓iitskiisup led for 60 years beginning when he was only 18 years old. His father taayii ɥawit̓ maaʔaqʔiiɥ (Cecil Mack) supported him until his passing in 1978. Housing in remote communities was almost non-existent with the INAC system and on two occasions over a few decades our chiefs bought settlements that had housing on them. One was located at Stewart Bay and the other at Pine Street in the District of Ucluelet which had several houses for sale. Our citizens were able to purchase these houses, and this is where taayii ɥawit̓ t̓iitskiisup and his wife, Lillian, lived for over 40 years and Cecil also lived there until 1978.

Those planning to nominate an individual for this award should consider citizens who are active in community including (but not limited to) helping Elders, volunteering, leadership, and supporting friends and family.

**Academic Excellence:** This award is to recognize Toquaht citizens who have demonstrated Academic Excellence in any of the following through a commitment to excellence and learning. This award is named after taayii ɥawit̓ maaʔaqʔiiɥ whose commitment to lifelong learning continues to influence Toquaht today. He was an advocate for Toquaht asking that the governments of BC and Canada address land issues of BC First Nations.

**Athletics & Sports:** This award is to recognize Toquaht citizens who have demonstrated excellence or achievement in sports, and other athletics. čaamata yakawaʔaɥ (Phillip Mack) is a citizen who has excelled in the sports and was committed to hard work, teamwork, and dedication to his personal best.

Nominator Information:

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Relationship to Recipient:	
Mailing address:	
Postal Code:	
Physical address (if different than mailing):	
Phone number:	
E-mail address:	

Recipient Information:

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Relationship to Recipient:	
Mailing address:	
Postal Code:	
Physical address (if different than mailing):	
Phone number:	
E-mail address:	

Please select which award you are applying for:

- Community Services       Academics       Athletics/Sports

Please describe the individual's contributions, achievements, or any other reasons why they should receive this award:

Please note that you may be called if further information is needed to confer this award. You will receive notification that we have received your nomination and winners will receive notification by June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. A committee of Toquaht Citizens will review the nominations.

Individuals can be nominated in each of the categories once per year.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Once received by CSC

1. Verify information and that the individual is a TNG citizen. \*Note the nominator does NOT need to be a Toquaht citizens to apply for this award but must have a valid relationship to the recipient (e.g., Family Member, Friend, TNG Employee with adequate knowledge and reasoning for eligibility).
2. Verify that individual meets eligibility criteria for the award, follow up with nominator if more information is needed to process the application.
3. Once approved, contact recipient to notify nomination and accepted eligibility and receive banking information if not already on file.