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## **2018 Best of New York and Hugh Carey Awards Announced**

*Award winners include Theresa L. Egan, NYS Information Technology Services, NYC Department of Records and Information Services and more.*

**SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Sept. 21, 2018** – The 2018 Best of New York Awards were announced today at Government Technology’s New York Digital Government Summit. Last night the prestigious Hugh L. Carey Leadership Award was announced during a reception in Albany. The awards were presented by the Center for Digital Government and Government Technology in partnership with the state of New York.

The [Best of New York Awards](#) recognize state and local government organizations for their standout contributions, best practices and innovations in information technology that improve citizen services and internal operations.

This year’s Best of New York Awards include honors for both New York State and New York City:

- The **NYS Office of Information Technology Services, Open FOIL NY Webform and Workflow Application** allows the public to submit a records request to any of the state’s 59 agencies; and includes a FOIL link on each agency’s website.
- The **NYC Department of Records and Information Services, OpenRecords**, allows the public to monitor progress or easily search existing requests; and was created on open source software.

“We are honored to announce this year’s Best of New York winners,” said Teri Takai, executive director of the Center for Digital Government. “The Center for Digital Government is pleased to recognize their exceptional dedication to enhancing services for New Yorkers. New York’s state and local government agencies continue to demonstrate innovation, efficiencies and a customer-centric focus to enhance the lives of citizens and to grow businesses in New York.”

The [Hugh L. Carey Leadership Award for Outstanding Public Stewardship](#) was established by Government Technology in 2011 and is named in honor of the late Gov. Hugh L. Carey, 51<sup>st</sup> governor of New York. The 2018 Hugh L. Carey Award was presented to Theresa L. Egan, executive deputy commissioner for the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, for leadership of initiatives that impact her agency, as well as the safety and quality of life of New Yorkers statewide.

In her role with the DMV since July 2015, Egan has also served as deputy commissioner for safety, consumer protection and clean air since 2007. She headed up initiatives including driver and vehicle safety programs, emissions programs and the governor's Traffic Safety Committee. Egan was previously town supervisor for Bethlehem, N.Y., as well as town justice from 1998-2003. Egan is the eighth recipient of the Hugh L. Carey Leadership award.

**Congratulations to the 2018 Best of New York Award Winners:**

**Demonstrated Excellence in Project Management**

Talal Qureshi, Solutions Architect/Program Manager, Network Design and Engineering (NDE)  
NYC Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications

**Best Application Serving the Public**

New York State Warrant Notification Application  
NYS Office of Information Technology Services, NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services and  
NYS Department of Corrections and Community Supervision

**Best Application Serving the Public**

OpenRecords  
NYC Department of Records and Information Services

**Best Application Serving an Agency's Business Needs**

New York State Cash Tracking Application  
NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) and NYS Office of Information  
Technology Services

**Best Application Serving an Agency's Business Needs**

NYCStreets PavementWorks Reconstruction Project Management System  
NYC Department of Transportation

**Best Application Serving an Agency's Business Needs**

Food Safety Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) Mobile App  
NYS Office of Information Technology Services and NYS Department of Agriculture and  
Markets

**Best Application Serving an Agency's Business Needs**

SMART - Sanitation Management Analysis Resource Tracking  
NYC Department of Sanitation

**Best Business Analysis/Data Analytics**

New York State Payroll Online  
NYS Office of the State Comptroller

**Best Business Analysis/Data Analytics**

NYC Business Portal - Data Collection Project  
NYC Department of Small Business Services and NYC Department of Information Technology  
and Telecommunications

**Best Business Analysis/Data Analytics**

Open FOIL NY Webform and Workflow Application  
NYS Office of Information Technology Services

**Best Mobile/Wireless Project**

ACCESS HRA Mobile  
NYC Department of Social Services

**Best IT Collaboration Among Organizations**

The New Juvenile Transmission System  
NYS Office of Information Technology Services

**Best IT Collaboration Among Organizations**

Enterprise Content Management Legacy Consolidation  
NYS Office of Information Technology Services

Additionally, **41 Outstanding Customer Service Awards** were presented to those dedicated to New York public service. For information on these awardees, visit <http://www.govtech.com/cdg/best-of-new-york/Best-of-New-York-Awards-2018---Winners-Announced.html>.

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