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LOCATOR EXCELLENCE AWARD ZEROS IN ON RELATIONSHIPS, STORIES

The 811 process is a shared responsibility. But, nowhere is that shared responsibility more important than in the relationship between a contractor and a locator – because understanding each other and working together is the glue that holds the 811 process strong.

Developed in 2016, the Locator Excellence Award is driven by the relationship between a locator and contractor. “We’re asking contractors and utilities to nominate locators that have strived for excellence,” stated Cheryl Ritter, Sunshine 811 damage prevention manager.

Maybe a locator went above and beyond to get your site located or made special arrangements for long projects. Maybe he or she alerted you to a safety hazard involving your facility or contacted you to ensure your lines were protected properly when another member's marks seemed to shadow yours.

Whatever your story and as long as the locator isn't your employee, nominate one or more locators by **midnight, April 27, 2018**. Sunshine 811 will select two public and two private locators as winners.



Prizes

- \$200
- 811 rain slicker
- Plaque
- Special award presentation with peers
- Bragging rights through shareable social media and blog posts. All winners featured in appropriate industry publications.

Eligibility

Locate technicians must be employed by a Sunshine 811 member or its contract locator, or an associate member, and meet the following criteria as verified by the technician's supervisor:

- Minimum 3 years locating experience in Florida
- Zero at-fault damages for 90 days before the nomination
- Zero safety violations for 90 days before the nomination
- Completed 250 or more site locations in the last two years that prevented underground utility damage
- Established proactive working relationships in damage prevention

“The Locator Excellence Award is just one way we can let locators know that we appreciate everything they do to help make Florida the safest place to dig,” Mark Sweet, Sunshine 811 executive director, concludes. “It gives us the opportunity to say we value what you do. You are appreciated.”

Visit www.sunshine811.com to enter.