

# 2026 Canadian Lifetime Volunteer Award

The International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans is pleased to present the Canadian Lifetime Volunteer Award. This award recognizes an individual's contributions toward the enrichment of the Foundation's educational efforts and thereby its members.

## NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations are held annually. Nominees will be evaluated by a subcommittee of the International Foundation Canadian Board. Following due diligence, the finalist(s) will be reviewed and a recipient selected by the Canadian Board, subject to final approval by the International Foundation Executive Committee.

Should there be no eligible candidates, no award will be given for the year. Self-nominations are not accepted. Should a nominee receive more than one nomination, the information will be compiled as one and will not influence the outcome. Winners of the award are excluded from winning future awards. Nominees must be current members or former members of the International Foundation in good standing.

## CRITERIA

Nominees should be held in the highest esteem by the Canadian employee benefits community and will be evaluated on criteria including but not limited to length of service, professional designations, other academic achievements, overall body of volunteer work and contributions to the Canadian pensions and benefits industry. Candidates can include current or past International Foundation Canadian Board members, committee members, speakers, moderators, panelists, authors or other Foundation members. No posthumous nominations please.

The award will be presented at the Annual Canadian Employee Benefits Conference to be held August 30-September 2, 2026 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The recipient is expected to be in attendance.

## DEADLINE

Nomination forms for the 2026 award are due by **Monday, January 26, 2026**.

## PAST AWARD WINNERS

- 2025 Sam Reda, CFA, President, Maralex Capital, Montréal, Québec
- 2024 Robert (Bob) Romphf, Trustee, Manitoba Nurses Union, Winnipeg, Manitoba
- 2023 Alan M. Minsky, KC, Firm Counsel, Koskie Minsky LLP, Toronto, Ontario
- 2022 Susan Bird, CEBS, ISCEBS-Fellow, HIA, ICD.D, President, The McAteer Group of Companies, Markham, Ontario
- 2019 Richard Lyall, M.A., CAE, President, Residential Construction Council of Ontario (RESCON), Toronto, Ontario
- 2018 Lyall A. Nash, President and General Manager, TESTCO Western Corporation, Calgary, Alberta
- 2017 David N. Harvey, Chief Executive Officer, BPA Financial Group, Mississauga, Ontario
- 2016 John W. Crouse, M.A., FCIA, FSA, National Director, Pension Benefits and Actuarial Consulting, Johnson Inc., Edmonton, Alberta
- 2015 Malcolm P. Hamilton, M.Sc., FSA, Senior Fellow, C.D. Howe Institute, Toronto, Ontario
- 2014 Joan S. Tanaka, President, Prudent Benefits Administration Services Inc., Toronto, Ontario

# NOMINATION FORM

## Canadian Lifetime Volunteer Award

### Nominee information (Please print clearly.)

Full first name of person nominated \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ Last name \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Business ☐ Home

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP/Postal code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Business ☐ Home ☐ Mobile

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Specific contributions or impact (limit 250 words) \_\_\_\_\_

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Other affiliations, in addition to the International Foundation \_\_\_\_\_

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(Please attach another sheet of paper if needed.)

### Foundation staff will provide the following information.

- International Foundation membership history and status
- Number of years volunteered (includes board or committee membership, speaking, writing, etc.)
- Designations and certificates achieved (CEBS®, ATMS®, MTMS®, etc.)
- Summary of volunteer activity with the International Foundation
  - Served as moderator (names and dates of conferences)
  - Served as speaker (names and dates of conferences)
  - Served on committee (names of committees and years served)
  - Number of years served on Canadian Board

Nominators are welcome to submit any other information or collateral they feel illustrates the nominee's body of volunteer work. Submissions must be made in formats that are easily duplicated for committee review.

### Recipient will receive:

- Complimentary Annual Canadian Employee Benefits Conference registration
- Unrestricted coach airfare reimbursement for two
- Per diem expenses, up to US\$115 per day for five days
- Lodging for up to two adults in one room, in a hotel designated by the International Foundation, five days, checking in on Saturday, checking out on Thursday
- Note: Receipts are necessary for all reimbursements.

### Nominator information (Please print clearly.)

Full first name of nominator \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ Last name \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/trust fund affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Business ☐ Home

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP/Postal code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Business ☐ Home ☐ Mobile

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline for nominations: Monday, January 26, 2026.**  
**Submit form and any supporting materials to Barbara A. Jene.**



Submit nomination form via  
email to [barbaraj@ifebp.org](mailto:barbaraj@ifebp.org).



For information, email [barbaraj@ifebp.org](mailto:barbaraj@ifebp.org)  
or phone (262) 373-7639.