

### WHY NOMINATE?

**Raise your agency's profile and amplify impact:** share your initiative with peers and leaders across the public sector, enhancing public awareness and building trust in government.

**Develop your people:** finalists access IPAA-led training to strengthen skills in storytelling and strategic and persuasive communication.

**Spotlight learning and innovation:** share insights, lessons, and best practices to build a stronger, more capable public service.

**Build pride in public service:** celebrate your team's achievements and the positive outcomes for the communities you serve.

### KEY DATES

- **16 February - 2 June:** nomination period
- **Mid-September:** Pitch event
- **5 November:** Awards ceremony

### AWARD CATEGORIES

**COLLABORATION** - recognising meaningful collaboration within and across organisations and jurisdictions.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** - recognising initiatives where communities have been deliberately engaged in novel ways and/or played a key role in the process.

**BREAKTHROUGH** - recognising initiatives that develop and/or apply novel and ingenious analyses, products, processes, services, technologies and/or management practices to create better outcomes for beneficiaries.

**LEARNING** - recognising initiatives that embrace adaptation through cycles of experimentation and modification.

### ELIGIBILITY

Nominations are open to all IPAA ACT organisational members. Joint initiatives are encouraged in all categories, provided the lead organisation is an IPAA ACT organisational member.



*"What a proud moment for Services Australia – winning not one but two awards at the 2025 IPAA ACT Spirit of Service Awards. These awards celebrate the best of public service innovation, and I'm thrilled to see our teams recognised for initiatives that truly make a difference."  
– Minister Katy Gallagher*

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