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## 2021 San Diego Military Advisory Council Achievement Awards

### Request for Award Nominations

The San Diego Military Advisory Council (SDMAC) will celebrate our 14<sup>th</sup> annual Achievement Awards Dinner with our *“Salute to Service”* dinner on August 12, 2021.

SDMAC is now accepting nominations for awards and are asking you to help us recognize those individuals and organizations making vital contributions to our community. In keeping with our mission of supporting the best military community in the nation, we are looking to recognize those who demonstrate exemplary service to the San Diego military or civilian community.

#### Nomination timeline:

- **May 15, 2021: Nominations Open**
- **June 30, 2021: Nominations Due to [ceo@sdmac.org](mailto:ceo@sdmac.org)**
- **August 12, 2021; SDMAC Achievement Awards Dinner**

To submit a nomination for one of the categories below, please complete the attached form and provide a one-page summary describing the exemplary service.

*The SDMAC Community Achievement Awards.* This award recognizes achievement in two categories:

- **Military organization or individual** that provided outstanding service to the San Diego community.
- **Civilian organization or individual** that provided outstanding service to the San Diego community.

*The Rear Admiral Bruce Boland Lifetime Achievement Award.* Named in honor of Bruce Boland, whose exemplary naval career spanned more than three decades culminating in his assignment as Commander Naval Base San Diego, followed by service as CEO of the United way of San Diego, a founding member of Veterans Village of San Diego, and the board of the San Diego Regional Airport Authority, this award recognizes **an individual’s exemplary service to both San Diego’s military and civilian communities** over a significant period of time.

Sincerely,

*Mark Balmert*

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**Criteria for Nomination of a *Military Unit or Individual*:**

A military organization or individual that provided outstanding support or service to the San Diego community in a non-combat related activity or role that far exceeds normal expectations, responsibilities, and accomplishments of the unit, or individual.

Along with this application, please submit:

- A one-page summary (PDF format) describing the nominee's exemplary service to the civilian community.
- A *single supporting document* may be provided but is not required: official recognitions, testimonials, etc. Please do NOT include multiple documents.

Nominations must be received in PDF format **no later than June 30, 2021**. Submit nominations and attachments via e-mail to [ceo@sdmac.org](mailto:ceo@sdmac.org).

**Nominator's Information**

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's Information**

Name of Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Unit or Command: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Criteria for Nomination of a *Civilian Organization or Individual*:**

A community organization / group or individual that provided outstanding support or service to the San Diego military or veteran community including:

- Improving the quality of life for military members and their families in the San Diego area.
- Improving the quality of life for veterans and their families in the San Diego area.
- Support of the military mission in the San Diego area.
- Support of the preservation of military facilities and infrastructure in the San Diego area.
- Enhancing the traditions or public image and reputation of the military in the San Diego area.

Along with this application, please submit:

- A one-page summary (PDF format) describing the nominee's exemplary service to the military community.
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Name of Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization or Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Rear Admiral (RADM) Bruce Boland’s exemplary Naval career spanned more than three decades culminating in his assignment as Commander Naval Base San Diego, now Navy Region Southwest. After his naval service, RADM Boland joined San Diego County government including his role as Director of Public Works. He also served as President and CEO of the United Way of San Diego, was a founding member of the Rehabilitation Campus for Veterans Village of San Diego, and he was also an original member of the SDMAC Board of Directors. In addition to a lifetime of public service, RADM Boland contributed over 20 years of constant advocacy and support to the USO where he co-founded the first USO Center at San Diego International Airport.

RADM Boland was the architect of the strategy to defeat Proposition A, the plan to move commercial airport operations from Lindbergh Field to MCAS Miramar, which was defeated by a two-thirds majority. He also chaired the Terminal Development Committee which oversaw the \$1 billion green build expansion. In 2006, then Mayor Jerry Sanders appointed RADM Boland to the board of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, where he served until shortly before his death in 2013.

His life was marked by achievement, leadership, and consistent action for the public good, and is a model of service to his country, region, and city.

**Criteria for Nomination:**

1. An individual that has demonstrated exemplary service to the San Diego region in a variety of endeavors that provided significant contributions to both San Diego’s military community and civilian community.
2. The exemplary service must have taken place over a significant period of time (not less than 20 years) and reflect positively on the ideals of leadership, public service, and dedication to country and the San Diego region embodied by RADM Boland.
3. Individuals nominated must live in San Diego County and organizations must be based in San Diego.

Along with this application, please submit:

- A one-page summary (PDF format) describing how the nominee meets the criteria for nomination.
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_