



Announcing the Florida City and County Management Association (FCCMA) **2027 Richard (Dick) Simmons** **LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Each year, the FCCMA recognizes leaders in the profession who have demonstrated professionalism and service within the field of public administration. Award recipients are nominated and selected by their peers and recognized during the annual conference.

Award Categories

The **Richard (Dick) Simmons Lifetime Achievement Award** is awarded to an exemplary individual who has served the profession or the FCCMA with steadfast dedication, innovation, and the highest standard of excellence. This award is a memorial to Dick Simmons – a pioneer in the profession, past FCCMA President, range rider emeritus, and a 60+ year FCCMA member. To be eligible for consideration for this prestigious award, an individual must be nominated by a full or life member of the FCCMA and meet the following criteria:

- ▶ A minimum of 30 years working in local government, with at least 15 years at the level of Assistant City/County Manager or higher. Working in local government includes employment by a higher education institution providing relevant training to local government employees.
- ▶ A member of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) and FCCMA, in good standing.
- ▶ Demonstrated member of ICMA and commensurate state management association(s) for at least 20 years.
- ▶ Demonstrated active participation in state management associations over his or her career.
- ▶ Made contributions over one's lifetime in the likeness of Richard (Dick) Simmons.

Nominees for the award must submit a completed application, cover letter, and any supporting materials by **5 p.m. ET on November 20, 2026**. For specific selection criteria and required documentation and to complete the application, please visit fccma.org. For questions, please contact staff at fccma@flcities.com.