Table of Monetary and Non-Monetary Awards

Monetary Awards	Description	Eligibility	Procedures
Extra Effort	For significant one-time contributions; range from \$50 - \$10,000 +; Payment through direct deposit; No limit on the number an employee may receive; Maybe given at any time; Only one per contribution	All Federal employees as individuals or groups; May not be given to non-Federal employees unless the person has separated from the government and the contribution was made as a Federal employee	AD-287 with two levels of approval; Justification; Be aware of internal processing procedures; Paperwork is sent to HRD for processing
Spot Quality Step Increase (QSI)	For routine every day extra effort and contributions that warrant small awards; Range from \$50 - \$750; Expedited payment through direct deposit; No limit on the number an employee may receive; Maybe given at anytime For outstanding performance during a rating cycle; Must have an "Outstanding" rating of	All Federal employees as individuals or groups except SES; May not be given to non-Federal employees unless the person has separated from the government and the contribution was made as a Federal employee All ratable employees except SES, ST, SL, WG, and those promoted or reassigned to different duties near the	AD-287 with two levels of approval; Justification; Be aware of internal processing procedures; Paperwork is faxed to HRD for processing AD-287 with two levels of approval; Original performance rating; Written justification;
	record; Equivalent to a step increase; One per performance year and one within any 52 week period; QSIs to the 4 th and 7 th steps prolong an employees; current WGI waiting period by one year	end of a rating cycle	Be aware of internal processing procedures; Paperwork is sent to HRD for processing.
Performance Bonus	For recognition of performance during a rating cycle; Must have at least a "Fully Successful" rating of record; Amount cannot exceed 10% of salary; Payment through direct deposit; Limit one per performance year	All ratable employees, except SES non-career, are eligible	AD-287 with two levels of approval; Original performance rating; Employee Accomplishment report; Be aware of internal processing procedures; Paperwork is sent to HRD for processing

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Non-Monetary Awards	Description	Eligibility	Procedures
Time Off	For specific contributions and accomplishments; Is an excused absence without charge to leave; Not appropriate for those in a "use or lose" status; Must be used within one year of effective date; Limit 40 hours per contribution and 90 hours per leave year for full-time employees, prorated based on work schedule for part-time employees; May not be transferred outside the agency, must use or forfeit; Supervisor of record must be consulted; May only use after award appears in NFC system, HRD to notify timekeepers	All Federal employees except SES and those on intermittent tours of duty	AD-287 with two levels of approval; Justification; Be aware of internal processing procedures; Paperwork is sent to HRD for processing
Token Item	For specific contributions and accomplishments; Value of item(s) should not exceed \$250; If possible, items should display agency or org logo; Operating budges may be used to purchase token items; Items should be appropriate for Federal recognition – avoid luxury items such as jewelry; Examples: portfolios, plaques, certificates, label pins, pens, paper weights, jackets, shirts, hates, etc.; Gift certificates and saving bonds are not considered token items and may not be purchased as award recognition	Anyone; including non-Federal persons	No documentation is required to be sent to HRD; Supervisor should keep a record of the purchase and keep an AD-287 on file to document the employee's contribution or accomplishment in case of an audit; Proper purchasing procedures should be followed when procuring items – document "5 U.S.C. 4501-06" on paperwork as authority to purchase; Follow any internal procedures; HRD can provide catalogs and names of vendors used