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2007 George Washington Carver Agricultural Excellence Award

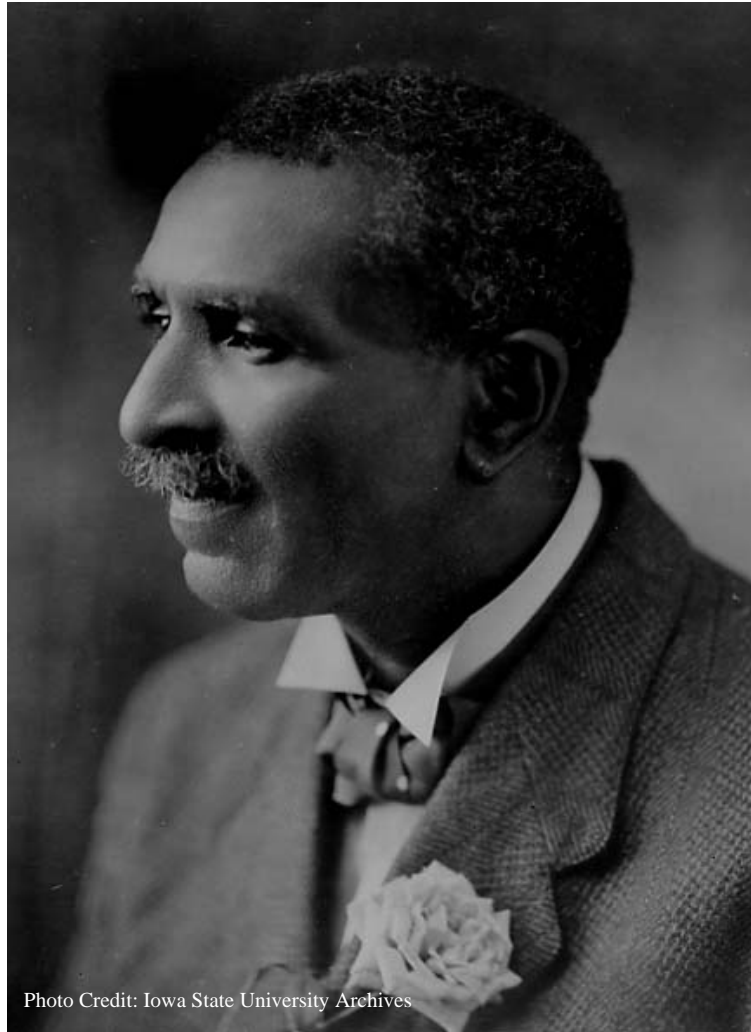


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*“...It’s simply service that measures success.” –
George W. Carver*

NOMINATION INFORMATION

Nominations are due Friday, July 27, 2007

George Washington Carver Agricultural Excellence Awards Committee
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GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER AGRICULTURAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

Eligibility of Nominees

Individuals who have already embarked upon a career path that will enable them to make a significant contribution to improving the lives of people in developing countries in agriculture - - broadly defined as encompassing the science and practice of activities related to the production, processing, marketing, distribution, utilization, and trade of food, feed and fiber -- are eligible, as recipients, for the USAID George Washington Carver (GWC) Agricultural Excellence Award. Individual nominees must currently be employed by a Minority Serving Institution (which includes Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs), and Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs), defined as such by the U. S. Department of Education), by African universities, or by an African Agricultural Research Center. Units, Teams, and Departments at these institutions can also be nominated to receive the GWC Agricultural Excellence Award. All nominations must include the name of the individual, or members of the eligible unit, team, or department, and describe accomplishments in agriculture, as broadly defined above that: 1) clearly demonstrate active international involvement; 2) are innovative, forward-looking and/or cutting edge; 3) have a significant and positive impact in a developing country research or higher education institution, or private sector firm; and 4) demonstrate that the work of the individual or group was critical to the positive outcome or contribution. Self-nominations will be accepted.

Processing of Nominations

Nominations will be reviewed and recommendations made by an Awards Committee comprised of senior USAID officers from each of USAID's Regional and Pillar Bureaus, a member of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD), and a representative of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges (NASULGC). Any Awards Committee member that has either submitted a nomination, or who is associated with an institution that has a nominee being considered for the award, will be required to recuse himself/herself from reviewing such nominations. The selected nominee will be promptly informed.

Award

During HBCU Week in Washington, DC, the awardee(s) will receive a \$5,000 honorarium and a medal. A plaque will be presented to the institution of the individual, team or group selected.

Submission

The original nomination package must be sent to OSDBU for distribution to members of the GWC Agricultural Excellence Awards Committee. The nominations package must include the following items which constitute elements of the selection criteria.

Title Page

The 2007 USAID George Washington Carver Agricultural Excellence Award

Title: Nomination of _____ (name) _____ for the 2007 USAID George Washington Carver Agricultural Excellence Award.

Nominee*: Name: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: () _____
Fax: () _____
E-mail: _____

Nominator: Name: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: () _____
Fax: () _____
E-mail: _____

* For nominations from Units, Teams and Departments comprised of two or more individuals, please attach a separate page listing the names and titles of each individual.

Professional Qualifications of Nominee

1. Degrees earned:
Degree Field Institution Date
2. Professional positions held at:
Institution Date Position(s) Rank Institution/Department

Cover Letter

Please submit a nomination letter summarizing on one (1) page the most significant achievements that qualify the nominee for the award. This letter should be addressed to the GWC Agricultural Excellence Award Committee and sent to OSDBU.

Basis of Nomination Description

1. Nature and scientific significance of the innovation that justifies nomination for the award. (20 points)

2. Transferability of the cutting edge scientific or technological innovation in agriculture, as broadly defined, to other countries. (20 points)
3. Estimated number of people benefiting from the innovation. (10 points)
4. Role of innovation in improving the lives or well-being of the poor or socially disadvantaged. (20 points)
5. Contribution of the innovation to economic growth, health, stability or environmental sustainability. (10 points)
6. Contribution or sense of service to community as expressed through works or deeds by the nominee(s). (10 points)

Publications

On one (1) page, please list not more than ten (10) publications directly related to the innovation, research, and/or technology. Articles published by host country, non-governmental organizations, or other stakeholders are eligible. (10 points)

Curriculum Vitae

Short curriculum vitae of individual nominee(s)

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