



collaboration ★ transformation ★ creativity ★ impact

INNOVATION

2025

THE WALLACE L. RUECKEL INNOVATION AWARD

Innovation: the introduction of something new; a new idea, method, custom or device; to make changes to do something in a new way

Nominations must be received
no later than

**July 1, 2025
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QUESTIONS

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MISSION STATEMENT

The MISSION of the CWRT CONGRESS is to inspire Civil War Round Table leaders to adapt, adopt, and maintain strategies for sustainability.

AWARD CRITERIA

The CWRT Congress Innovation Award recognizes a CWRT for creative, effective, and inventive programs that provide value to their members. The program achieves measurable results and utilizes a variety of resources and partnerships within and outside the community, adapting to the changing conditions to meet critical objectives.

The program increases the capacity of the community to work collaboratively to improve existing services, service delivery and leadership.

The award recipient exhibits these key characteristics:

★ IMPACT

Eliminate the root causes that perpetuate languishing membership and leadership voids while creating pathways to lasting change.

★ COLLABORATION

Forge and strengthen partnerships, effectively leverage resources, within and outside of the nonprofit community.

★ TRANSFORMATION

Inspire and implement change in organizational culture and continued adaptation to meet the changing conditions and needs of members.

★ CREATIVITY

Take an inventive approach toward impacting structural change.

I. CWRT IDENTIFICATION

Civil War Round Table Identity:	<input type="text"/>		
Submitted by:	<input type="text"/>		
Title:	<input type="text"/>	Phone number:	<input type="text"/>
Email address:	<input type="text"/>		
Number of Members:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Website URL:	<input type="text"/>		
Social Media URL:	<input type="text"/>		
Nonprofit 501(c)3:	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input type="radio"/>	Applied <input type="radio"/>

II. INNOVATION ELEMENTS

1. List your top three (3) innovations that your CWRT undertook in the last two years and rate their successfulness (Successful, Mixed, Unsuccessful).

INNOVATION No. 1

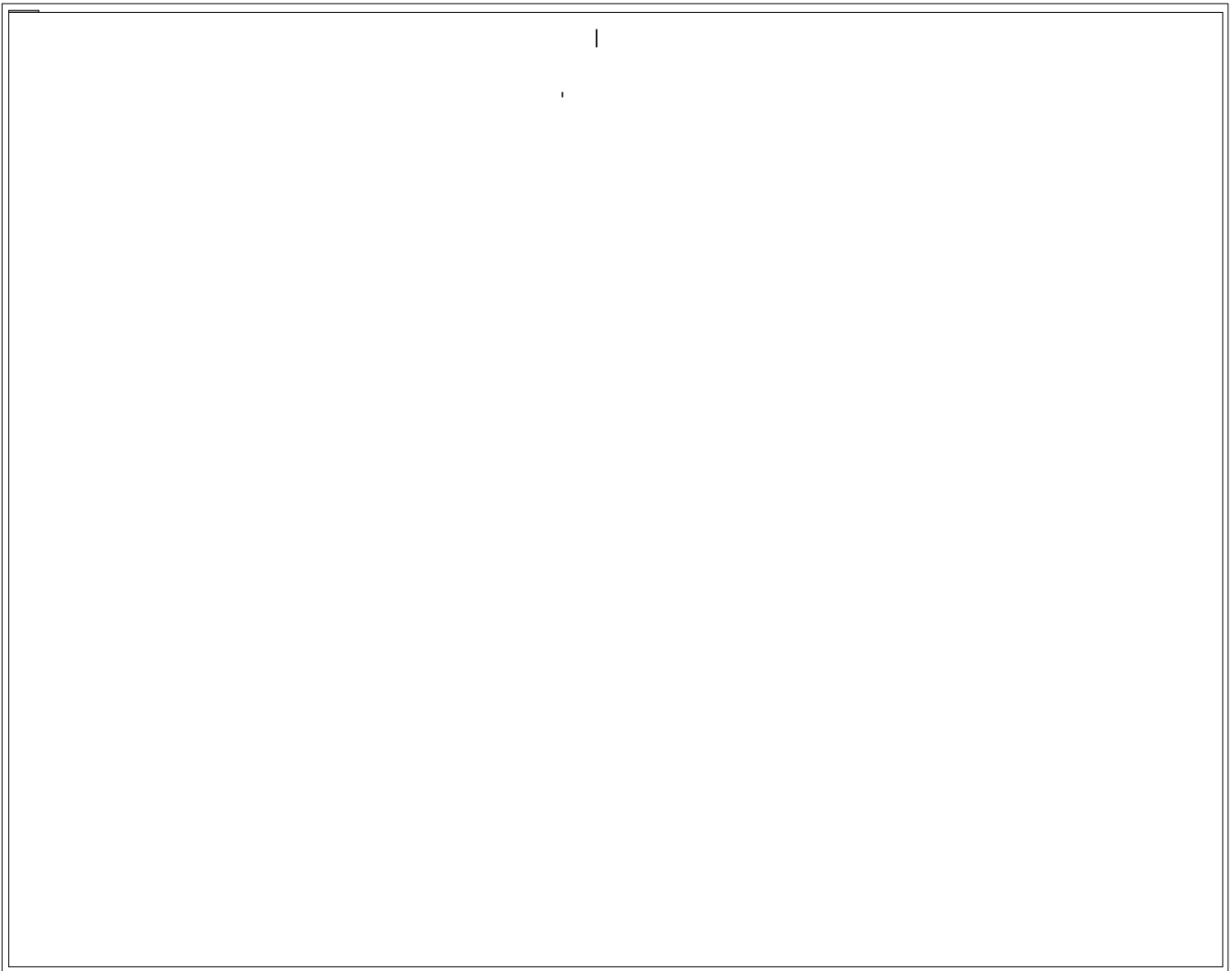
INNOVATION No. 2

INNOVATION No. 3

III. INNOVATION VALUE

IMPACT

What impact did each of the innovations listed above have on the CWRT members, the local community, and/or others? Which impacts were unexpected?



Please forward your completed form to: awards@cwrtcongress.org by 7/1/2025.