

Wonder Woman Award 2022

Angela Carkner, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

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Nominated by: Kim Parsons Anderson
Portland Water Bureau



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Elizabeth Crane, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

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Georgia West, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

Georgia works in Finance. She consistently brings compassion, humor, and equity considerations into work that could otherwise seem rigid and indifferent to justice.

Nominated by: Jonna Papaefthimiou
Portland Bureau of Emergency Management



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Georgia West, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

Georgia continues to do her work as an analyst, leading with science AND equity to make the City a better more just place. She is passionate about helping others and connecting people to create support systems for those who haven't had them.

Georgia is a Wonder Woman!

Nominated by: Michelle Rodriguez



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Georgia West, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

Georgia showed exceptional professionalism and dedication during a difficult time. She successfully managed the transition to a new role, training me in her previous role, taking care of her sick child, and meeting budget-related deadlines. She worked long hours and was always available to me for training and questions. I never heard her complain once.

Nominated by: Patrick Kramer
Portland Bureau of Emergency Management



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Jonna Papaefthimiou, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

Jonna has been acting as the Interim Director of PBEM, leading the city through the Severe Weather Crisis' and COVID 19

Nominated by: Anonymous



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Jonna Papaefthimiou, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

Jonna is been a fantastic and caring leader. She carries her daily work with a enormous smile that is more contagious than ONICROM. No matter if bureau is operating under an emergency declaration or not, she is always smiling and reminding all of her staff who is this work for, and how our most impacted community members benefit from our day to day activities. She seeks for opportunities to celebrate her peers and take the most challenging tasks under the perspective of possibilities.

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Kate Szrom, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

As the sole leader of the COAD program (Community Organizations Active in Disasters), Kate builds long term relationships among organizations doing good works in Portland. From managing grants to delivering air conditioners during a heatwave, Kate is a role model of how government can support local groups.

Nominated by: Anonymous



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Katy Wolf, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

In my personal and professional life, I've never encountered someone who spins as many plates as deftly and professionally as Katy Wolf. She has a phenomenal memory, attention to detail, and single-handedly keeps superiors and subordinates informed, supported, and equipped with the tools and information they need to serve the city well. Truly empathetic, dedicated, and a great listener, her tireless dedication and skill serving the City and the communities we serve is truly exceptional.

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Regina Ingabire, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

Regina is the bureau's Community Outreach Manager. Her work is focused on immigrants, refugees, and communities of color. She consistently takes time to meet community members where they are at, assist them in navigating City systems, and lift up their experiences, interests and needs in budget and policy-making discussions.

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Portland Bureau of Emergency Management



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Regina is an asset to the City of Portland. Her expertise and passion for community engagement strategies and her connections in the community are valuable to both the city and community. Regina is kind and collaborative and I am honored to have worked closely with her in the city's pandemic response. It is in this experience that I learned first hand how her expertise and leadership is vital to reaching immigrant and refugee communities with critical skills and resources during an emergency. Her skills are essential in trust building with community and our city government. She is truly the best.

Nominated by: Tatiana Elejalde
Office of Equity and Human Rights



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