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Florida Civic Advance announces the launch of its Civic Excellence Awards Recognizing Voter Education and Civic Service Initiatives

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Jeff Johnson, Chair of the Florida Civic Advance (FCA) Coordinating Council and State Director, AARP Florida, announced the first FCA Civic Excellence Awards. “We believe there are many innovative, yet unsung, civic initiatives taking hold in Florida’s communities that are improving civic life and increasing citizen involvement. We want to recognize, share and replicate these civic excellence initiatives and showcase them at our December 12-13, 2019 FCA Summit at St. Petersburg College-Seminole Campus.”

FCA’s Civic Excellence designation and award serves to recognize and share the state’s best civic programs that have been designed to promote innovation and civic engagement in Florida’s communities.

In 2019 the FCA will be recognizing innovative voter education and civic service initiatives. We are looking for initiatives that: engage high school and college students in nonpartisan civic action projects enhancing participation in underserved communities as part of the education of the next generation of Florida voters; promote voter education and civic service among the Amendment 4 “returning citizens” enabling them to exercise their voting franchise and give back to their communities through civic service.

The program will also offer recognition for innovative “Intergenerational Civic Engagement” and “Citizen Involvement with Local Government.” The online application platform for the three areas is at: https://fca-fsu.us.fluidreview.com. The deadline for applications is July 1, 2019.

Civic initiatives that are selected to receive the FCA Civic Excellence award recognition will become a part of a statewide network committed to strengthening and increasing civic engagement and civic life in Florida’s communities.