

# ACEA Awards

## Guidelines and Criteria

### ACEA Peggy Spain McDonald Bright Idea Award

ACEA will recognize, through an engraved plaque, the Best Idea that has been implemented and found to be successful by community education coordinators, directors, and program assistants.

This award is named in honor of Peggy Spain McDonald, who in the early 1970's was the driving force behind the implementation of community education in Alabama. By introducing the program to community leaders in the Birmingham-Jefferson County area, and by working to establish the Center for Community Education at the newly formed University of Alabama in Birmingham, Ms. McDonald played the key role in establishing community education in Alabama.

#### Criteria

1. Originality / creativity of idea
2. Statewide or local applicability of the project
3. Number of people, ages, agencies, etc. involved in the project
4. How "idea" enhanced community education
5. Ongoing application of "idea" and results
6. Person applying must be a member of ACEA

#### Guidelines

1. Each entry must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to support the success of the idea when implemented.
2. Each entry must be accompanied by one, but no more than three, letter(s) of support.
3. A one-half page summary sheet should accompany each entry. Include the name and address of the coordinator / director.
4. Limit application to five pages.
5. Recognition for the best idea will be given.