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**Wisconsin Women in Government Seeks Nominations for
Legacy and Rising Star Awards**

MADISON – Wisconsin Women in Government (WWIG), a statewide, bipartisan, non-profit organization, seeks nominations for awards that will recognize two outstanding women in careers interacting with public service.

Anyone is welcome to submit nominations for two awards: the “Legacy Award” and “Rising Star Award”.

The “Legacy Award” will honor one woman who has made significant professional contributions throughout her career to local, state, and/or national government.

The “Rising Star Award” will honor one woman who has been in her profession for 10 years or less, but has demonstrated excellence by making an extraordinary impact in her profession relative to her years of service.

Eligible nominees for both awards are those with roles in local, state, and/or national government, including but not limited to elected officials, public employees, and those interacting with government through the private sector.

Nominees will not be notified of their nomination unless they have won the award. Award recipients will be notified of their selection and invited to the 29th Annual Wisconsin Women in Government Scholarship & Recognition Gala in Madison, Wisconsin. Nominations are due by midnight on Sunday, February 28th, 2016.

“We are excited to continue WWIG’s tradition of honoring outstanding women leaders,” said Megan Purtell, WWIG President. “This is a great opportunity to recognize both the potential and accomplishments of women who work hard on behalf of Wisconsin.”

[Click here nomination form for the Legacy Award](#)

[Click here for the nomination form for the Rising Star Award](#)

About Wisconsin Women in Government

Founded in 1987, Wisconsin Women in Government has grown into a statewide organization of professional women who work in government service and government relations. The organization is committed to empowering and advancing more women in government service through scholarship and professional development programs, including the WWIG Leadership Seminar conducted in collaboration with the LaFollette School of Public Affairs at UW-Madison. Since 1987, WWIG has raised more than \$1 million to support these programs that have benefitted more than 460 women at all levels of government service. Programs and events such as the annual spring gala are organized by an all-volunteer, bipartisan board of directors.