

## 2020 Governor General's Innovation Awards (Canada)

When considering who to nominate as an innovator, it's important to note that there are some differences between innovation and research excellence. For these awards, innovation is understood as addressing a pressing problem with a solution that's based on new thinking, and putting that solution into action. To recommend an individual candidate or a team, please send a short description (1,200 words maximum) to [svani@ideas-idees.ca](mailto:svani@ideas-idees.ca) by **September 20, 2019**. In your description, please let us know how they meet the following award criteria:

- Extent to which the individual, team or organization has shown initiative and leadership to be agents of change in addressing a current issue about which they are passionate.
- Creative use of new knowledge and/or technology to develop ideas aimed at addressing contemporary social, economic or cultural challenges and solving real-world problems.
- Evidence of the successful implementation of these ideas, resulting in a positive impact beyond the nominee's own community or organization.
- The degree to which the nominee and the activities undertaken have demonstrated inspiration, creativity, collaboration, risk-taking and problem-solving.

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