

# PRESIDENT'S AWARD WINNERS

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Dr. Kathleen Uhl  
Department of Health and Human Services  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

*For transforming generic drug regulation using cutting-edge science and expert leadership. Dr. Uhl's work has expanded access to generic drugs, making it possible for millions of Americans to access essential medications.*



Silver Spring, MD



Kerry Kolodziej



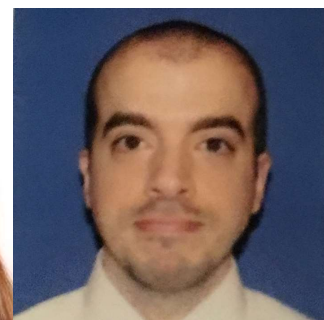
Kara Fischer



Stephen Hench



Lucia Sanchez



Nicholas LaBruna



Department of Transportation  
Takata Recall Team



Washington, DC

*For increasing awareness of nationwide air bag recalls through the creation of a remedy campaign. This team reinvented the way vehicle recalls are carried out, including providing manufacturers with a communication toolbox and developing innovative ways to lessen the impact on vehicle owners. Their efforts led to the replacement of 7.2M+ defective air bag parts in 2018, saving lives across the country.*

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Kenneth Kraft

Dustin Litwiler

Jess Weisz

Cassandra Newsome

Roman Kulbashny



Department of Health and Human Services  
Office of Inspector General



Washington, DC

*For preventing health care providers convicted of opioid-related offenses, sexual assault, rape, and manslaughter from participating in Federal healthcare programs to protect taxpayer-funded programs like Medicare and vulnerable beneficiaries from abuse.*



Department of Commerce  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Team

*For radically advancing detection of harmful algal bloom toxins to ensure the delivery of safe drinking water in Lake Erie and access to safe seafood in Washington State. This team's cutting-edge technology advances the economic and public health in U.S. coastal communities.*

Timothy Davis

Stephanie Moore

Gregory Doucette



Seattle, WA

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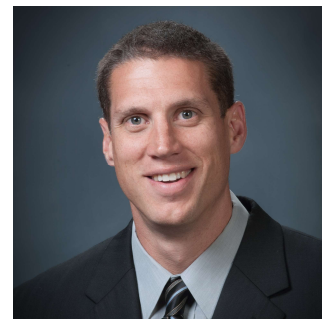
Angela Chambers



Lee Mason



William Pulse



Marc Gibson

## Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration National Aeronautics and Space Administration KRUSTY Team

*For demonstrating a technology that could be used as a power system to enable long-duration stays on planetary surfaces. Using Stirling technology, this team's 2018 ground test could pave the way for future systems that power astronaut outposts on the Moon and Mars.*



Amarillo, TX



Cleveland, OH



## Barbara C. Morton Department of Veterans Affairs

*For transforming VA's capabilities to provide veterans, families, caregivers, and survivors with an excellent customer experience. From real-time data and tools to strategic partnerships between communities, veterans, and families, Barbara's work empowers veterans and VA employees to improve the veteran experience.*



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Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

*For improving health and safety standards for mineworkers across the country. Ms. Haas' research resulted in the creation of industry-wide strategies to improve health and safety management methods.*



Pittsburgh, PA



Roger Cryan



Marc McFetridge



Michael Sheats



Robert Wintersteen



U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Agricultural Marketing Service



Washington, DC

*For transforming an 80-year-old approach to better support distressed agricultural industries and provide safe, nutritious food to low-income communities. Their efforts enabled USDA to help industries in a matter of weeks instead of months and provide food banks with more fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy, and meat.*