

2026 CURT CISE Association Safety Awards

Purpose of CISE Awards Program

Construction Industry Safety Excellence (CISE) awards will be conferred upon those organizations who can demonstrate exemplary construction safety programs. The objectives of the Construction Industry Safety Excellence awards are to:

- Focus attention on improving construction safety
- Recognize stellar performers
- Increase understanding and implementation of CURT and Business Roundtable publications and CII research
- Publicize model safety programs
- Convey to the construction industry CURT's full support of owner involvement in safety management

Description of the Association Safety Award

The Association Construction Industry Safety Excellence Award will recognize and reward exemplary leadership on the part of an Association for the implementation of programs resulting in safety enhancement among their members. The award is intended to convey The Construction Users Roundtable's strong support of Association leadership in safety enhancement and to recognize the fact that these Association's play a primary role in leading and educating their members in effective safety management.

This award will be made on the basis of leadership in improving construction site safety, demonstrated through strong programs and effective measurement systems that collect and distribute safety performance data for their members' guidance. Only one award will be made each year. Eligibility for the Association CISE Award will be restricted to every third year (winner of the 2025 Award will not be eligible again until 2027).

Eligibility for the awards also extends to Associations who are *not* members of the **Construction Users Roundtable**.

Criteria for Application Evaluation

Awards will be based upon The Construction Users Roundtable panel's evaluation of proposals submitted by interested Association's. The award application must provide written, descriptive information delineating the group's in-place safety programs and achievements. Submittals should include the elements listed below and should not exceed the equivalent of six printed pages with a type font no smaller than 10 point and adequate margins. Charts, graphs, or other illustrations may be embedded only in Part 2 and must be included in the page count.

- The number of firms, owner and contractor, belonging to the association and estimated workforce represented.

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- Description of existing safety award programs or other safety incentives and indications of their effectiveness.
- Examples of specific programs created for and put in place by the association the last three (3) years to improve the safety of its member firms.
- The description of specific plans for implementing a new system or improving a current system that gathers and distributes safety performance data.
- Plans and programs to further the implementation of:
 - The Construction Users Roundtable Report R-807, Construction Safety Blueprint
 - CURT Construction Safety User Practices
 - UP 801, Contractor and Craft Worker Prequalification
 - UP 802, The Owner's Role
 - UP 803, Pre-Bid and Bid Clarification Meetings
 - UP 804, Contract Terms and Conditions
 - UP 805, Monitoring Performance
 - UP 806, Improving Safety Programs
 - Construction Industry Institute (CII) safety research.
- The description of programs or plans for the regular distribution of routine safety information and new developments
- Specific plans for any other related areas, such as training or education.

Application Process

Association's must complete the following steps to apply:

1. Originate
2. Review
3. Approve
4. Submit

Originate

The Association CISE Award Application can be found [here](#).

Submit

Electronic submissions only. Submit here: rdubro@curt.org

Application Deadline

Completed applications must be received in the CURT office by 02 July 2026.

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Awards Program Schedule

The schedule for this year's awards process is as follows:

- **17 March 2026** - Applications available on the CURT website.
- **02 July 2026** - Applications must be submitted to the CURT office.
- **07 August 2026** - Winner will be notified by phone.
- **06 October 2026**- Awards presentation ceremony at the Construction Users Roundtable Awards of Excellence.

NOTE: To assist in underwriting the cost of the awards program and juror process, the committee has implemented an application fee in the amount of \$250.00, which is payable when the application is submitted. Payments by check should be payable to "Construction Users Roundtable – CISE". To pay by credit card, call Greg Palmer at the CURT office at 513.981.2770.

Selection Process and Awards Presentation

The Construction Users Roundtable Awards Panel will review applications that are complete, signed and meet eligibility requirements. The evaluation will be based on a consensus decision by the panel. The panel will take into consideration the factors enumerated above. In addition, the panel will look for the best-defined program, the program with the greatest probability of success and the program that is most likely to have a positive impact on the industry.

The recipients of the CURT Association CISE Award will be recognized at the Construction Users Roundtable Awards of Excellence on October 6, 2026. A representative of the winning organization must be registered and in attendance to receive the award.

Eligibility

Previous recipients of the Association Safety Excellence Award must sit out two years before reapplying to receive the award again. (Example: Award winners from the November 2025 Awards Program may not apply again until 2027.)

Questions may be answered by emailing safety@curt.org