

## (fi) IDC Smart Cities

North America Awards

## The Awards Process

- The fourth annual <u>Smart Cities North America Awards</u> (SCNAA) were held in 2021. The awards were designed to recognize the progress North American municipalities have made in executing Smart Cities projects, as well as providing a forum for sharing best practices to help accelerate Smart City development in the region. Finalists include cities, states, counties and universities.
- Submissions covering 11 categories, were evaluated according to 6 parameters, by an international
  panel of 9 different judges, in addition to a public voting component that generated 2,671 votes.
   Winners were honored at <u>Smart Cities Connect</u>, held October 19th–21st at the Gaylord National Hotel
   & Convention Center in National Harbor, MD.
- Finalists and winners of the SCNAA illustrate best practice examples of how forward-thinking
  municipalities are effectively leveraging technology and innovation to offer new services and economic
  opportunities and to meet the needs and expectations of citizens and residents. 28 municipalities were
  recognized for unprecedented progress in creating and sustaining smart city projects across 11
  categories.





