



7th Annual EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNMENT AWARDS PROGRAM

The Federal Executive Association of Western Massachusetts will host the 7th Annual EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNMENT AWARDS PROGRAM on **Wednesday, September 16, 2009** at the Log Cabin Banquet & Meeting House, 500 Easthampton Road, Holyoke. This program honors the “best of the best” in **Local Federal, Postal or Military service** in Western Massachusetts.

The complete nomination package is attached. As always, we expect that each agency will develop an internal mechanism to screen nominations to ensure that all nominations accurately fit the criteria. Nominations should be based on accomplishments achieved during the period from **October 1, 2007 to the present**. Please note the requirement for a **one-paragraph summary** of each nomination.

**The deadline for submission of all nominations is close of
business on Friday, July 10, 2009.**

Nominations must be submitted in hard copy to:

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