

## Brennan receives Award for Excellence in Public Service Management

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The executive director of the Rose F. Kennedy Greenway Conservancy is being recognized by the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA). Nancy Brennan will receive the John W. Gaston, Jr. Award for Excellence in Public Service Management at the ASPA's national conference in Baltimore, Md.

Brennan was tapped by the ASPA for her leadership of the Rose F. Kennedy Greenway Conservancy and her natural resource management efforts on behalf of the Greenway. Award selection criteria include demonstrated attention to strategy, structure, systems, shared values, and skills, but ASPA says the key criteria is the achievement of results that contribute to public safety, health, welfare, and the quality of the environment.

Brennan was nominated by Ann Braga, staff director of the Boston City Council and ASPA member. "Nancy Brennan is known for her collaboration, her creative vision, and her commitment to the Greenway," said Braga. "Those of us who live and work in Boston realize the Greenway is well on its way to becoming a world-class public amenity, and we have Nancy to thank for much of it. This is a well deserved honor."

Through its awards, ASPA advances excellence in public administration by identifying and illuminating positive contributions within the public realm.

The Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway is a ribbon of contemporary urban parks that connects people and the city by providing beauty, fun, and a sense of community in Boston. Now, four of Boston's most diverse and dynamic neighborhoods - formerly divided by a massive structure of steel and asphalt - are linked by beautifully landscaped parks, gardens, and plazas and reconnected with the harbor.

The Conservancy is the designated steward of the Rose F. Kennedy Greenway, a new ribbon of contemporary urban parks in the heart of Boston. We are delivering on the promise of a beautiful, vibrant, innovative city park. Established in July, 2004 through an agreement with the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, the City of Boston, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Conservancy is a private, non-profit organization, which operates, maintains, preserves and manages the parks on behalf of the public. The conservancy raises private and public funds to support the parks, aspiring to excellence in design, operations, and public programming.

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