

HARMON E. BURNS

AWARD

*Extraordinary Contributions
to the Community*

Franklin Templeton's annual Harmon E. Burns Award recognizes employees who have made extraordinary contributions to their community.

Since 2007, employees from around the globe are encouraged to nominate colleagues that are active in their community and go above and beyond to volunteer, support and advocate for organizations and causes that are important to them. A panel of judges from around the firm representing various business units, regions and past Burns Award winners, review the anonymous nominations and score based on the individual's commitment to service, impact on their community and the extent to which they have inspired others.

Franklin Templeton honors the winner of the Burns Award with a donation to a charity of his or her choice, and recognizes their accomplishments during the company's All Employee Meeting hosted by CEO Greg Johnson at the firm's global headquarters in San Mateo

Meet Burns Award Winners

2015

Tamara, Transfer Agent Channel Specialist in St. Petersburg, is the 2015 recipient of the Harmon E. Burns Award for her extraordinary efforts helping 111 families fulfill their dream of homeownership through Habitat for Humanity.

"It's an honor to see this come full circle," said Tamara. "From starting as a homeowner candidate, to serving on the board, and now being able to give the gift of a home to another family, it's overwhelming."



2014

Madhavi, IT Manager in Hyderabad, received the 2014 Harmon E. Burns Award.

In honor of her time and dedication to the community, Franklin Templeton donated to Bala Vikasa Social Service Society to fund water purification plants for several villages that will serve more than 5,000 people. She has worked with members of Dublin, CA and Hyderabad, India and has had the opportunity to live in both locations.

"When I look around and see other people are getting inspired because of the changes happening [from serving the community], that makes me happy," said Madhavi.

2013

Challa, IT Manager in Toronto, was recognized for the 2013 Harmon E. Burns Award for his compassion, unwavering commitment to serving others and his ability to inspire colleagues. Challa selected the Disha Charitable Trust to receive a donation from Franklin Templeton, and the organization has continued to fund community service projects in Hyderabad. He received the award during his work in the Hyderabad office, but in 2016 he relocated to the Toronto office.

“Involved, [Franklin Templeton’s employee volunteer program], gives me a moment of pause and gratitude in my life,” said Challa. “I consider giving back to society a primary responsibility of every human being, and I am doing my duty.”



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