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**Now Accepting Applications  
for the 2016 SLC STAR**  
Recognizing State Programs That  
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Showcase your state  
government program's  
success!

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The Southern Legislative Conference is accepting applications for its 2016 **State Transformation in Action Recognition (STAR)**, a regional award for innovative state programs and initiatives demonstrating creativity, impact, transferability and effectiveness.

The SLC STAR program represents an opportunity to highlight successful programs implemented within your state, especially those that can be replicated across state lines to improve the region as a whole. The SLC welcomes applications from a wide array of state agencies, departments and institutions operating within all branches of state government.

Acknowledging that states are policy innovators, the Southern Legislative Conference seeks to identify and promote successful and transferable ideas and programs from the states throughout the Southern region.

We encourage you to take a few minutes to **submit one or more of your state programs** for consideration.

## Application Resources

The application process is simple. Here are just a few things to help you along...

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## Application Deadline

**May 27, 2016**

## What's Next

Following the application review process, six finalists will receive the opportunity to present their programs to a panel of state representatives and experienced policy professionals at the **Southern Legislative Conference's Annual Meeting** in Lexington, Kentucky, convening July 9-13, 2016. There, two exceptional programs will be selected

by the panel as models of efficiency and effectiveness, and the implementing agencies and legislative or executive sponsors will be recognized at the state dinner.

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