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GovLoop Recognized for Connecting Government Community

"Facebook for Feds" Honored for Government 2.0 Contributions

WASHINGTON -- Barely a month after GovLoop.com, the "Facebook for Feds," hit the 10,000-member milestone, the social network is up for two awards: the AFCEA Bethesda Chapter Social Media Award and the Intergovernmental Solutions Award. Both recognize GovLoop's ability to connect the government community.

GovLoop received the Social Media Award from the Bethesda Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA) on May 27, at the Willard Intercontinental Hotel in Washington, D.C. AFCEA is committed to the ethical exchange of information in the communities of defense, homeland security and intelligence. The Bethesda Chapter held its Second-annual Government-wide Initiatives Excellence Award Luncheon recognizing the efforts put forth by several organizations to improve government communication. GovLoop founder Steve Ressler was rewarded for his initiative with the Social Media Award.

"I accept this award on behalf of all my fellow GovLoop members," said Steve Ressler, founder and creator of GovLoop, "It's the participation that makes GovLoop an open government success."

Additionally, GovLoop finds itself among the 25 federal, state and local agencies nominated to receive the Intergovernmental Solutions Award. To be eligible, an organization must foster collaborative programs and measurable results, among other criteria. GovLoop fits the bill, with more than 10,000 members – and counting – from diverse government positions and ranks.

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The Intergovernmental Solutions Award is given by the American Council for Technology (ACT), a non-profit agency promoting government use of efficient information technology in order to better serve the public.

“We’re very proud to showcase the best of the best not only to reinforce government’s role as an innovator, but to provide a platform where these agencies can share their ideas for the ultimate benefit of our citizens,” Martha Dorris, ACT President, stated in a finalist announcement.

To learn more about how you can join the conversation, visit GovLoop.com.

About GovLoop

GovLoop is the premier social network connecting the government community. Created by federal employee Steve Ressler in June 2008, GovLoop.com currently connects more than 12,500 members and continues to grow by the thousands. Dubbed by some as the “Facebook for Feds,” it brings together government employees from the U.S. and internationally to discuss ideas, share best practices and create a community dedicated to the betterment of government 2.0 and open government. For more information, visit GovLoop.com.

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