

## **Press Release**

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## Arkansas Chapter of the American Planning Association Citizen Planner Award

Danielle Shasteen, AICP, Arkansas Chapter of the American Planning Association President, is pleased to announce that Carol Short, Lay Planner Representative for the Arkansas Chapter is the recipient of the Citizen Planner Award. Carol was presented with the award at the Chapter's spring conference in Conway, Arkansas on March 10, 2016.

The Citizen Planner Award is awarded to an individual, elected official, or appointed person, who has supported planning by use of his or her personal time or effort; or through exemplary support of planning in his or her community or in the state.

Carol resides in Bull Shoals, Arkansas where she was the Planning Commission Chair for eight years. Carol has been active in local government since 1995. She has public service experience as a volunteer, appointed official, and elected official. Prior to moving to Arkansas, she served as the Bayfield Colorado Area Chamber of Commerce President, and for the town of Bayfield, Colorado, she served as a Planning Commissioner, Planning Commission Chair, Board of Trustees member, and was Mayor Pro Tem for two years.

Carol is a fixture at Arkansas Planning Commissioner trainings. She has such a great deal of knowledge and experience as a citizen planner that she could teach the classes. If fact, Carol is currently one of two in the state to undertake the home study portion of the training to become a Certified Arkansas Planning Official, which is a new certification through the Arkansas Public Administration Consortium.

The Arkansas Chapter of the American Planning Association is extremely proud of Carol and what she has done for the Bull Shoals community and the field of planning.

To learn more about the Arkansas Chapter of the American Planning Association, please visit <a href="http://www.arkansasapa.org">www.arkansasapa.org</a>. To learn more about the Certified Arkansas Planning Official training, please visit <a href="http://ualr.edu/iog/apac/">http://ualr.edu/iog/apac/</a>.

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