## <u>Academy Criminal Justice Agency or Non-Profit Organization Leadership</u> <u>and Innovation Award</u>:

The deadline for Nominations is September 15, 2025. Nominations sent to: Christine Tartaro, <u>Christine.Tartaro@stockton.edu</u> Copy nomination to: Jason Williams, <u>williamsjas@montclair.edu</u>

Criminal justice agencies and non-profit organizations include agencies such as corrections, police, victim services, juvenile justice, case management and treatment, drug/alcohol and mental health services, and community coalitions, as well as research, government, or public service, along with related and ancillary programs, and services.

This award will be given in recognition of a criminal justice agency or non-profit organization whose work has had a direct, positive, and significant effect on the criminal justice system, with a commitment to improving the criminal justice system. These contributions may include community outreach, program development, policy implementation, education, training, direct services, research, and legislative action.

To be eligible for this award, the candidate shall have:

1. Been an outstanding agency or non-profit organization and innovator in or related to the criminal justice system.

2. Demonstrated commitment to improving the criminal justice system.

3. Contributed to criminal justice or related programs, relevant policies, or community development.

4. Provided exemplary service to its community.

5. Priority should be given to practitioners and/or organizations working in the region where the annual meeting is held.

Nominees need not be institutional ACJS members. Regional Organizations affiliated with ACJS and ACJS members may nominate a criminal justice agency or non-profit organization for this award by submitting a letter of nomination. The nomination letters shall include the nominees' full contact information and rationale for the nomination. The winner of this award is expected to send an agency or organizational representative to the ACJS Annual Meeting and will receive a \$600 travel stipend.