

GCA Receives Fifth Consecutive Risk Management Fund Safety Awards from TWCA

What began in 1988 as a means of putting Texas Water Conservation Award (TWCA) members in control of their own insurance and risk management this year marks the organization's Risk Management Fund's 30th anniversary. As members can attest, the Fund not only provides stability in coverage and rates, but also helps members to develop quality safety and loss prevention programs that save lives and enrich operations. Gulf Coast Authority (GCA) is a longstanding member of the Fund.

Each year the bar for the Fund's award recognition program gets set even higher as members' safety records continue to improve. The Fund annually recognizes select members for their effective safety and loss control programs. In 2017, the organization recognized GCA as a safety leader, commending the Authority for its **Outstanding Safety Record in Workers' Compensation**. This recognition is awarded to those members that have sustained the best experience in reducing employee injuries over the past four years.

The Fund's 2017 safety awards were presented at the TWCA's Fall Conference in San Antonio. The four categories of winners were **Outstanding Safety Record in Workers' Compensation, Most Improved Safety Record in Workers' Compensation, Outstanding Safety Record in Liability and the Leroy Goodson Excellence in Risk Management Award**. Winners in each category are selected based on their claims experience in comparison to all other members in the fund.



L-R: board members Mark Schultz and Lamont Meaux, GCA Safety Coordinator Rusty Gross-Odessa, board member Dr. Irvin Osborne-Lee, Safety coordinator Albert Smith-Blackhawk, GCA Safety Director Brad Peck, Safety Coordinator Ben Reese-Bayport, Board Vice-Chairman Rita Standridge, board member Nancy Blackwell, and Safety Coordinator Jay Keil-Washburn Tunnel.

Not pictured: Safety Coordinators Troy Belmyer-40 Acre & Mark Rausch-Central Lab