The PROJECT OF THE YEAR Awards

The 2026 Project of the Year Awards, coveted awards for public works excellence, were handed out this year at the APWA WA Chapter's Spring Conference, on Thursday, April 16, 2026 at the Hilton Vancouver in Vancouver, WA.

Eleven awards were handed out in the categories of Disaster/Emergency, Environment, Structures, Transportation and Sustainability. All category award submittals competed with other projects of the same budget size (division).

DIVISION: Less than $5 Million

Transportation: Quincy Square on Fourth Street

AGENCY: City of Bremerton

CONTRACTOR: Active Construction Inc.

CONSULTANT: Consor North America, Inc.

Project Summary:

Inspired by music legend Quincy Jones, Quincy Square transformed a long-overlooked block in downtown Bremerton into a vibrant pedestrian-oriented gathering space designed for concerts, markets, festivals, and community events. Developed through extensive public engagement, the project features an outdoor performance stage, decorative concrete piano keys, interpretive signage, flexible seating, and enhanced landscaping that reflects the city's creative identity. Sustainable infrastructure elements, including BioPods for stormwater treatment and seventeen new shade trees, support long-term corridor resiliency and beautification. As part of Bremerton's broader downtown revitalization effort, Quincy Square strengthens walkability, economic activity, and community connections in the city center.