

Ivy Green Raysor Receives 2022 W. Y. Smith Award For Extraordinary Group Contributions to IDA

ALEXANDRIA, VA (May 2023) – Ivy Green Raysor, manager, financial planning and analysis in the Finance Directorate at IDA's Alexandria, VA headquarters is a recipient of the 2022 W. Y. Smith Award.

This award recognizes extraordinary individual or group contributions to IDA from the wide range of non-research staff members who contribute mightily to our success. The award-winning finance team consists of Raysor, Ben Nemceff and Susan Sizemore.

"It is with great pride that we recognize the tremendous accomplishments of Ben, Ivy and Susan with the 2022 W. Y. Smith Award," said IDA President Norty Schwartz. "The team made significant contributions to the successful implementation of accurate, timely and accessible project financial reporting. The updated and enhanced reporting has enabled more trustworthy financial information be placed at the fingertips of our enterprise-wide stakeholders, ranging from project leaders to sponsors."

To meet today's demands from the government contracts office, IDA needed to be more deliberate about managing project finances. The team identified the need to upgrade the reports and over the course of the last year, scoped, defined and executed the project, which enhanced the accuracy of IDA's project financial reporting.

The team rolled out the new project financial reporting, offering group and individual training. They launched the new reports in August 2022, running them parallel to the legacy reports through January 2023. Raysor supported the rollout by sharing knowledge about the Costpoint data structure and by testing the reports and comparing them to the legacy reports. "It is an honor to receive this recognition by IDA," said Raysor. "It was rewarding to be a part of the team and make significant contributions to project financial reporting that impacts our various stakeholders."

Raysor earned her bachelor's degree in accounting from Frostburg State University in 1998. She earned her master of business administration with a concentration in finance from American InterContinental University in 2007. She is a member of AGA (formerly the Association of Government Accountants) national and Northern Virginia chapters.

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