



Susan Sizemore Receives 2022 W. Y. Smith Award For Extraordinary Group Contributions to IDA

ALEXANDRIA, VA (May 2023) – Susan Sizemore, financial systems analyst 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 Sizemore, Ben Nemceff and Ivy Green Raysor.

“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. Sizemore supported the rollout by sharing her extensive Cognos experience. “I’m proud to be a part of the finance team and see our combined efforts make such a significant impact across the organization,” said Sizemore.

Sizemore earned her bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of Baltimore in 1995.

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