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Decorations, Awards, and Honors
ARMY IDEAS FOR EXCELLENCE PROGRAM (AIEP)

History. This issue publishes a revision of NWDOM 672-1-1.

Summary. This memorandum delineates approval authority for cash awards resulting from approval of an Army Ideas for Excellence Program (AIEP) suggestion submitted by personnel in the Northwestern Division Headquarters.

1. **PURPOSE.** This memorandum prescribes approval authority for cash awards resulting from adoption of AIEP suggestions submitted by personnel in Headquarters Northwestern Division (HQNWD).
2. **APPLICABILITY.** This memorandum is applicable to Headquarters Northwestern Division
3. **REQUIRED REFERENCE.** AR 5-17, The Army Ideas for Excellence Program. Cited in paragraphs 4a and c.
4. **GENERAL.** The guidance in this memorandum delineates HQNWD approval authority for AIEP cash awards.
 - a. An approved NWD Headquarters AIEP suggestion may result in payment of a cash award to the person submitting the suggestion based upon guidance in AR 5-17.
 - b. Cash awards of this nature are processed on DA Form 2441, Suggestion Award Certificate. Evaluations of suggestions are documented on DA Form 2440, Suggestion Evaluation.
 - c. AR 5-17 grants authority to approve an AIEP suggestion, other than those involving HQUSACE or higher regulatory or policy authority, to the command group (e.g., those staff principals having signature authority for the Commander).

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5. AIEP AWARD AUTHORITY.

a. NWD Directors and Office Chiefs are authorized to approve AIEP cash awards up to and including \$2,500.

b. The Deputy Division Commander is authorized to approve AIEP cash awards up to and including \$5,000.

c. The Division Commander is authorized to approve AIEP cash awards up to and including \$8,000.

d. AIEP cash awards over \$8,000 are forwarded to HQUSACE for approval as outlined in the reference above.

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