

Previous Winners

- 2018**
- Investigative Reporter Heather Catallo, Videographer Johnny N. Sartin Jr. and Editor Randy Lundquist of WXYZ-TV, Detroit: Problems in Probate: Grief, Greed and Real Estate <https://www.wxyz.com/probate>
 - Jim Schaefer and Gina Kaufman of the Detroit Free Press: Disorderly Conduct: How problem cops stay on the street <https://www.freep.com/topic/c1b86103-0a5a-4c9c-8ba2-476fc4bd59a1/disorderly-conduct/>
- 2017**
- Mike Martindale of the Detroit News
 - The staff of Bridge Magazine, and John Bellow, president and CEO of The Center for Michigan: <http://www.bridgemi.com/truth-squad-companion/disaster-day-day-detailed-flint-crisis-timeline>, <http://www.bridgemi.com/michigan-truth-squad/who-approved-switch-flint-river-states-answers-draw-fouls>, <http://www.bridgemi.com/truth-squad-companion/good-bad-and-ugly-rating-comments-public-officials-and-experts-flint-water>, <http://www.bridgemi.com/public-sector/what-flint-lost>, <http://www.bridgemi.com/public-sector/felony-charges-filed-against-state-city-employees-flint-water-crisis>
 - Jennifer Dixon and Kristi Tanner-Detroit Free Press: <http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2016/09/06/state-plans-surprise-inspections-demolition-sites/89773806/>, <http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2016/05/01/asbestos-contractors-target-homeless-other-vulnerable-people/82618742/>, <http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2016/06/25/miosha-penalties-michigan-workers-compensation/84592140/>, <http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2016/06/30/dearborn-heights-janitor-says-shes-vindicated-osh/86549872/>, <http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2016/09/06/state-plans-surprise-inspections-demolition-sites/89773806/>
 - George Hunter-Detroit News: <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/local/detroit-city/2016/06/13/lawyer-davontae-sanford-license/85806144/>, <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/2016/06/20/detroit-news-at-noon/86130874/>, <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/local/detroit-city/2016/06/20/possible-perjury-charges-ex-detroit-cop/86126506/>
 - Staff of Michigan Radio: <http://michiganradio.org/topic/michigans-juvenile-lifers-who-gets-second-chance>
- 2016**
- Joe Linstroth and Kate Wells-Michigan Radio
 - Ron French and Ted Roelofs-Bridge Magazine
 - Kevin Dietz, RO Coppola, Vanessa Ogletree, Ben Bell, and John Pompeo-WDIV
 - John Wisley-Detroit Free Press
- 2015**
- Jennifer Guerra, Sarah Alvarez & Sarah Hulett—Michigan Radio: [Finding Home: A Documentary about Foster Care in Michigan](#)
 - Nathan Bomey, John Gallagher & Mark Stryker—Detroit Free Press: [How Detroit Was Reborn](#)
 - Joan Isabella, Sandra Svoboda & Courtney Hurtt—WDET: [NextChapterDetroit.com](#)
 - Brad Devereaux—MLive Media Group: [Small Town, Big Problems](#)
 - Honorable Mention: Mike Martindale—Detroit News: [Judge on Leave to Quit After Re-election](#)
- 2014**
- Ross Jones, Randy Lundquist, Ann Mullen, Ramon Rosario, & Johnny Sartiny—WXYZ-TV
 - Jim Schaefer—Detroit Free Press
 - John Barnes, Fritz Klug, Scott Levin, John Agar, & Gus Burns—MLive Media Group
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- 2013**
- L.L. Brasier & Gina Damron—Detroit Free Press
 - Mike Martindale—Detroit News
 - Ross Jones, Ann Mullen, Johnny Sartin, Randy Lundquist, & Newton Glasby—WXYZ-TV
 - Honorable mention:
 - Jeff Gerritt (Detroit Free Press);
 - John Barnes, Heather Peters, John Agar, Gary Ridley, Brad Devereaux, Rex Hall Jr., Jonathan Oosting, & Tim Martin (MLive Media Group);
 - John Barnes, Jonathan Oosting, Tim Martin, Dave Eggert, & Brandon Howell (MLive Media Group);
 - Jennifer Dixon, Jim Schaefer, Kristi Tanner, Martha Thierry, Romain Blanquart, & Mandi Wright (Detroit Free Press)
- 2012**
- Heather Catalo, Ross Jones, & Randy Lundquist—WXYZ-TV
 - Lester Graham—Michigan Radio
 - Bill Proctor, Randy Lundquist, Ramon Rosario, & Johnny Sartin—WXYZ-TV
 - L.L. Brasier & John Wisely—Detroit Free Press
 - John Barnes & Team: Barton Deiters, Khalil AlHajal, Danielle Salisbury, Rex Hall, John Hausman, Andy Hoag, Jonathan Oosting, Michael Wayland, Angela Wittrock, Brandon Howell—MLive Media Group
 - Curt Guyette—Detroit Metro Times
- 2011**
- Jim Schaefer, Kristi Tanner-White, & Eric Seals—Detroit Free Press
 - Andy Hoag—Saginaw News
 - Jennifer Dixon & Jim Schaefer—Detroit Free Press
 - Curt Guyette—Detroit Metro Times
 - Mike Martindale & Mike Wilkinson—Detroit News
 - Jessica Harthorn—WEIY NBC 25
- 2010**
- Jennifer Dixon & Tina Lam—Detroit Free Press
 - Cody Hinze, Ryan Loew, Louise Knott Ahern, & Jamie Urrea—Lansing State Journal
 - M.L. Elrick, Naomi R. Patton, Jim Schaefer, Rochelle Riley, & Gina Damron—Detroit Free Press
 - Angie Hendershot & Christopher Carr—WJRT TV-12
 - Honorable mention: Craig McMorris (WNEM TV-5)
- 2009**
- M.L. Elrick & Jim Schaefer—Detroit Free Press
 - Charlie Cain & Gary Heinlein—Detroit News
 - Sandra Svoboda—Metro Times
 - Honorable mention:
 - Brian Dickerson (Detroit Free Press);
 - George Hunter (Detroit News);
 - Brian McGillivray, Bill O'Brien, & Mike Tyree (Traverse City Record-Eagle)
- 2008**
- Kathy Jessup, Chris Killian, & Rebecca Pierce—Kalamazoo Gazette
 - Jim Schaefer, Joe Swickart, L.L. Brasier, Brian Dickerson, Suzette Hackney, & John Wisely—Detroit Free Press
 - Honorable mention:
 - Shantell M. Kirkendoll (Flint Journal);
 - Sandra Svoboda (Metro Times)

- 2007**
 - Jeff Gerritt—Detroit Free Press
 - Curt Guyette—Metro Times
 - Matt Phillips & Charlie Langton—Sterling Heights Television & the Macomb County Bar Association
 - Honorable mention:
 - Todd Berg (Michigan Lawyers Weekly);
 - Ronald J. Hansen (Detroit News);
 - Judy Putnam (Booth Newspapers)
- 2006**
 - Norman Sinclair, Ronald J. Hansen, & Melvin Claxton—Detroit News
 - Matt Phillips & Charlie Langton—Sterling Heights Television & the Macomb County Bar Association
 - Honorable mention:
 - Jason Alley (Southgate News Herald);
 - David Ashenfelter (Detroit Free Press);
 - Ken Kolker (Grand Rapids Press);
 - Rosemary Parker, Ed Finnert, Barbara Walters, & Bill Krasean (Kalamazoo Gazette)
- 2005**
 - David Shepardson, Norman Sinclair, & Ronald J. Hansen—Detroit News
 - Mark Albert—WWMT-TV Kalamazoo
- 2004**
 - Gregg Krupa, Francis X. Donnelly, & John Bebow—Detroit News
 - Matt Phillips, Charlie Langton, & Rick Troy—Sterling Heights Television & the Macomb County Bar Association
 - Honorable mention:
 - Nolan Finley, George Bullard, & Shikha Dalmia (Detroit News);
 - M.L. Elrick, Jim Schaefer, & Ben Schmitt (Detroit Free Press);
 - Stephen W. Huber (Oakland Press);
 - Darryl Q. Tucker (Saginaw News)
- 2003**
 - Jack Kresnak, David Zeman, & Ben Schmitt—Detroit Free Press
 - William H. Dance—Detroit Legal News
- 2002**
 - David Ashenfelter, Tamara Audi, Suzette Hackney, Jim Schaefer, Joe Swickard, David Zeman, & Alison Young—Detroit Free Press
 - Scott MacFarlane—WKBD/WWJ-TV Detroit
- 2001**
 - David Ashenfelter, Suzette Hackney, & Joe Swickard—Detroit Free Press
 - Ken Kolker & Gary Schroder—Grand Rapids Press
 - C. Jesse Green—Michigan Lawyers Weekly
- 2000**
 - David Ashenfelter—Detroit Free Press
 - Wayne Woolley & George Hunter—Detroit News
 - Bob Allen & Michelle Corum—Interlochen Public Radio
- 1999**
 - Scott E. Aiken—St. Joseph Herald-Palladium
 - Scott Davis—Jackson Citizen Patriot
 - Ken Kolker—Grand Rapids Press