

FREDERICKSBURG REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATION FORM

PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL AWARDS AND CHAMBER GALA
FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024

The **Small Business of the Year Award** recognizes a small business that embodies the spirit of innovation, entrepreneurship, and individual initiative. The winner exemplifies success and leadership across business growth performance, innovative business strategies, community engagement, as well as customer and employee relations.

Chamber members are encouraged to nominate their own companies or other member businesses that they believe meet the criteria for the award.

SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS ELIGIBILITY:

1. Business has 74 or less employees.
2. Nominee has been a member in good standing with the Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce for at least three years.
3. Nominee has been in business for at least three years under the current ownership.
4. Nominee has participated in and supported the Chamber and other community activities.

NOMINATION FORM- DEADLINE MARCH 29, 2024

Nominee Information

Business Name: _____

Name of Owner/President: _____

Number of years in business under the current ownership: _____ Number of employees: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Website: _____

Email: _____

Nominator Information

Nominator's Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to the Business being Nominated: _____

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINATION CRITERIA, please respond to the following items:

- Description of the business
 - Consider uniqueness within industry/market. What sets this business apart from others?

- Significant accomplishments of the organization.
 - New and/or innovative leadership approaches
 - Uniqueness of relationship with customers/clients
 - Special contributions for and with employees

- Overcoming business challenges –share details

- List the organizations or community endeavors that senior management, owners, and/or employees have participated in or supported.
 - Include broad details about their participation and/or support

- List professional and/or trade organizations that senior management, owners, or employees have participated in.
 - Note leadership positions held if applicable

- List any other information that could be important to this nomination.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION: Small Business of the Year Nominations are due via email or hard copy by **Friday, March 29, 2024 at 5pm.**

Email: Gretchen Rusden – Marketing@fxbgchamber.org

Subject Line: Chamber Small Business of the Year Nomination

In-Person: 1700 Fall Hill Avenue, Suite 106, Fredericksburg, VA 22401.

Call 540.373.9400.

Nominations received after the deadline will not be considered.

A committee of Chamber leaders will select the award winner and finalists.

Winners will be announced at the Gala on the evening of April 12, 2024.

Questions? Please contact Carley Walker at cwalker@fxbgchamber.org or 540-373-9400.

