

## Annual Awards Nomination Form

### STEP 1: I am submitting a nomination for the following award:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Emerging Leader Award        | <input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneur of the Year Award                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Improvement Award  | <input type="checkbox"/> Business of the Year Award (50 or less employees) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ambassador of the Year Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Business of the Year Award (50+ employees)        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer of the Year Award  | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Achievement Award                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educator of the Year Award   |  |

*\*if submitting more than one nomination, please complete separate forms*

*\*see page 2 for award classifications*

### STEP 2: I am nominating the following business/individual:

Business / Organization/Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Name or Main Contact of Nominated Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_ Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### STEP 3: Supporting documents for nomination:

Please submit in writing your support of why you are nominating the individual/business/organization for consideration (2-3 paragraphs of support). Documents can be attached to this nomination form highlighting their accomplishments, community involvement, key partnerships, previous awards or letters of recommendation.

#### Nomination Guidelines:

- All businesses/organizations/individuals must be a Forward Janesville member in good standing
- Nominations are for the calendar year accomplishments (January through December 2019)

Completed nomination forms must be returned **by Friday, November 22nd** to:

#### Forward Janesville Inc.

Attn: Jenny Tschudy | Awards Nomination  
14 South Jackson Street • Suite 200 • Janesville, WI 53548  
Fax: 608.757.3170 or EMAIL: [jennyt@forwardjanesville.com](mailto:jennyt@forwardjanesville.com)

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### STEP 4: Review Award Classifications:

**Emerging Leader Award—NEW!** This award will be given to a young leader who has shown outstanding service and contribution to the Janesville community and who possess strong leadership skills to recruit, educate and mentor other emerging professionals who aspire to be a public/private owners and resources to the next generation of industry leaders.

**Community Improvement Award**—annually awarded to businesses or individuals who have demonstrated exemplary contributions to the well being of the Janesville community.

**Goodwill Ambassador of the Year Award**—annually awarded to an individual who has demonstrated exemplary representation of the business community. This individual has been a positive public relations liaison for Forward Janesville at ribbon cuttings, special events, and networking sessions. The individual has also been involved through extra committee work and projects. The Ambassador of the Year is nominated by his or her peer Ambassadors for the award.

**Volunteer of the Year Award**—annually awarded to an individual who has gone the extra mile in providing voluntary assistance to the Forward Janesville staff, committees, events and/or community projects.

**Educator of the Year Award**—awarded to an individual or group who has actively encouraged partnerships between the business and education communities. The nominee utilizes business resources within the community and works to adapt curriculum to align with the industry standards. Training, business partnerships, and advocacy for the educational system are key roles that this individual undertakes.

**Entrepreneur of the Year Award**—annually awarded to an individual who has exemplified leadership and the entrepreneurial spirit in making their ideas, and ultimately their business a success. The nominee must be a majority owner and/or operation head of an independently owned profit-making business enterprise that has less than 50 employees.

**Business of the Year Award (50 or less employees)**—awarded to a business who recognizes that business success and community involvement go hand in hand. The award is to recognize the exemplary customer service, product knowledge, community support, and professionalism that makes their business not only a profitable success, but a great asset to the Janesville community.

**Business of the Year Award (50+ employees)**—annually awarded to a business who recognizes that business success and community involvement are two vital components of a business strategy. The award is to recognize the exemplary customer service, product knowledge, community support and professionalism that makes their business a financial success, but also an asset to our local community.

**Lifetime Achievement Award**—annually honors an individual, who over the course of several years, has made a real difference in our community, and also the Janesville business community. Janesville is a better place because the honoree of the Lifetime Achievement Award has been active, engaged and involved in various initiatives that embrace the idea of community commitment ... by combining resources, talents, and assets, the honoree believes that together, we can overcome obstacles and continually improve our community.

### STEP 5: Review Previous Award Winners (2007 to 2019):

#### Diversity Award

Jane Thompson, School District of Janesville; Janesville Academy of International Studies; Jose Carillo, School District of Janesville; The Aktion Club of Janesville; Santa Carfora S&J Consulting and Robert Baldwin, Robert D. Baldwin, LLC; YWCA of Rock County; Janesville Presents!; Rock Aqua Jays; ECHO, Inc.; Riverfront, Inc.; Community Action of Rock & Walworth Counties; Rock County; GIFTS Men's Shelter; Gary Bersell, KANDU Industries

#### Community Improvement Award

The Armory; The Janesville Farmer's Market; Rotary Gardens; Janesville Community Health Center of MHS; HealthNet of Rock County; Christine Moore; Kutter Harley-Davidson; Janesville Jets; Culver's of Janesville; Agrace Hospice & Palliative Care; Rock County Historical Society; Bodacious Shops of Block 42/Studer Family; Janesville Police Department; United Way Blackhawk Region

#### Ambassador of the Year Award

Kim Simmons; Lori Sperry; Jim McMullen; Robbi Seales; Teri Barnes; Dan Wilcox; Scott Hembrook; Jaysen Jorgensen; Lisa Hurda; Jessica Locher; Jen DeGarmo; Denise Webb; Dennis Condon

#### FJI Volunteer of the Year Award:

Jim McMullen; Steve Huth; Nick Fitzgerald; Mark Warren; Bill Boyd; Tony Farrell, Sr.; Experienced Business Advisors (EBA); Debbie Cook; Jim Purviance / Patty Reynolds – Westgate Corridor Volunteers; Oakleigh Ryan; Dave Marshick; Tammy McCaslin Krebs; Tim Weber

#### Educator of the Year

Steve Huth; John Zimmerman; BTC Advanced Manufacturing Facility; UW Rock County; Mark Dwyer; Patricia Hernandez

#### Entrepreneur of the Year Award

Richard Meier; Dr. Jim Damrow; Todd Duckworth; Brian Cherry; Jeff Hazekamp; Duke Kelly; Tony Huml; Joni Cullen & Lisa Saxer-Buros; Jason Yost; Tony Farrell; Drywater Productions; N1 Critical Technologies, Inc.; Richard & Joan Neeno

#### Business of the Year Award (50 or less employees)

Janesville Messenger; Boyd Consulting; OfficePro; Helgesen Development Corporation; Mac's Pizza Shack; Foremost Media, Inc.; K&W Greenery; Rinehart Targets; Pelsue Orthodontics; SASid; Batterman; E & D Water Works; Floral Expressions

#### Business of the Year Award (50+ employees)

M&I Bank; Freedom Plastics; Rock Road Companies, Inc.; Bliss Communications; Janesville Sand & Gravel Co./LYCON; St. Mary's Jnsvl Hospital & Dean Clinic; Prent Corporation; Johnson Bank/Johnson Insurance; Blackhawk Community Credit Union; Data Dimensions; SSI Technologies; Chambers & Owen; Dollar General Distribution Center

#### Lifetime Achievement Award

Rowland McClellan; Roger Axtell; Ken Hendricks (Posthumously); Dr. Robert Yah; Donald Hedberg; Ronald Ochs; Mark Cullen; Jackie Wood; Diane Hendricks; Joe Pregont; Jane Blain Gilbertson; David Cullen; Larry Squire