

AWARD NOMINATION FORM
Rowan Chamber of Commerce

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DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: Friday, December 6, 2024

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Your Name: _____ Company: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please check the award for which you are submitting your nominee. Explain why your nominee meets the award criteria in a concise manner. Your nominee must be a member in good standing of the Rowan Chamber. The award recipient will be selected by the Chamber's Executive Committee and be kept confidential until it is announced at the Chamber's 99th Annual Gala on **January 23, 2025**.

**Some awards are not given out every year.*

_____ **Young Professional of the Year**

Recent award winner: Mollie Ruf (Rowan EDC); Dillon Brewer (Cloninger Ford)

- A Rowan Chamber member who has provided a leadership role in the Young Professionals program.
- Attended at least 80% of the Young Professionals events in 2024.
- Donated time and /or resources willingly and enthusiastically to the Young Professionals group.

Your Nominee _____ Title _____

Nominee's Company/Organization _____

Why does this person qualify for this award? _____

_____ **Paul E. Fisher Award – Chamber Volunteer of the Year**

Recent award winners: Ann Pressly, Martha Bostian, Tony Shaw, Cindy Hart, Teresa Dakins, Penny Greer-Link, Elia Gegorek, Jayne Land, Robbie Fulton, P.J. Ricks, Joanie Palmer (in memorial); Rosalind Hines, Dr. Christine Lynn

- A Rowan Chamber volunteer that embodies the ideals of volunteerism and provides leadership in a key area

- Made significant contributions toward the goals and mission of the Chamber in 2024
- Donated time and /or resources willingly and enthusiastically to the Chamber

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Chamber Champion – Small Business of the Year

Recent award winners: Patterson Farm, Inc., Matangira Recycling, Go Burrito, Greystone Salon, NSC Behavioral Health, Pottery 101, Barnhardt Jewelers, Healthcare Management Consultants, Walser Technology Group

- A Rowan Chamber member firm in good standing (for at least three years)
- Small business in Rowan County (for profit; less than 100 employees)
- Has achieved growth in measurable areas – sales, high retention of employees, or other benchmarks to determine impact on job market
- Supports the community through financial and personal commitment

Your Nominee _____ Title _____

Nominee’s Company/Organization _____

Number of Employees _____ Date Business Established _____

Why does this firm qualify for this award? _____

Minority Business of the Year

Recent award winner: Mean Mug Coffee

- Minority-owned business in Rowan County (Chamber Member; for profit; <100 employees)
- *A Minority-Owned Business is one that is at least 51% owned by a women or person of ethnic origins: African, Asian, Hispanic, or Native American.*
- Has achieved growth in measurable areas – sales, high retention of employees, or other benchmarks to determine impact on job market

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Duke Energy Citizenship & Service Award

Recent award winners: Mary Ponds, Dr. Michael Bitzer, Dr. Judy Grissom, Susan Kluttz, Walt Wall, Frank Goodnight (in memorial), Terry Osborne, Paul E. Fisher (in memorial), Jason Walser and Dyke Messinger for Bell Tower Green Park, Pete Teague, David Whisenant and Mark Wineka

- Rowan Chamber group or individual that demonstrates a commitment to service and civic participation over a sustained period of time for the community
- Sets a standard and fosters a culture for citizenship, service, and community responsibility
- Demonstrates one or more of these business values: integrity, stewardship, inclusion, initiative, teamwork and accountability

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