

2015 Quality in Business...Quality in Living Award Categories

The Annual Quality in Business, Quality in Living Awards recognizes and celebrates the work of area companies, organizations and individuals with awards nominated and chosen by Chamber member business leaders. Recipients are honored at the Awards Dinner on March 19 beginning at 6 p.m. The Chamber seeks nominations for the award categories below. Nominees do not have to be Chamber of Commerce members. Members may nominate themselves.

1. **Quality in Business Award**
Awarded in recognition of a business organization which began as a small enterprise and has continued in its original form for many years or grown larger as a result of fair customer practices and/or exceptional quality of service.
2. **Entrepreneurial Success Award**
Awarded to a business leader who successfully created new and innovative products or services and experienced outstanding growth due to creativity and innovative marketing.
3. **Young Professional of the Year Award**
Awarded in recognition of a young business leader for his/her business achievement and/or service to the community.
4. **Customer Service Award**
Awarded in recognition of a business/organization that best demonstrates that it has the customer at the heart of the business and deploys and manages its resources to most effectively meet the needs of its customer base.
5. **Business Partnership Award**
Awarded in recognition of an individual, business or organization that demonstrates a partnership approach with other stakeholder(s) as a major element in their achievement. *Please note: a "partnership" should be interpreted as a formal or informal cooperative program or agreement between business enterprises and organizations.*
6. **Tourism Award**
Awarded in recognition of an organization or agency with cultural, historical, agricultural, recreational, or entertainment programs and/or services of such quality and reputation that they attract tourists to the Sussex County area.
7. **David C. Herzenberg Award**
This award is a tribute to an organization or individual making a significant contribution to the health and welfare of County residents through the provision of direct health care and/or human service activities.
8. **Community Service Award**
Awarded in recognition of an individual or organization providing strong community outreach activities, including sponsoring, supporting and/or underwriting worthwhile community activities.

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9. **Philanthropic Award**
Awarded in recognition of an individual or business that generously and substantially contributes financial resources from business or personal sources to one or more charitable or non-profit organizations located in Sussex County.
10. **Humanitarian Award**
Awarded in recognition of a company, organization or individual who extends a humanitarian effort clearly outside the normal scope of their business or professional life, contributing financial resources and/or extensive personal involvement to the effort.
11. **Volunteer Award**
Awarded in recognition of an individual who gives of himself or herself and who is known for his/her personal dedication and contribution of quality time to one or more charitable organizations.
12. **Quality In Living Award**
Awarded in recognition of a non-profit health, educational, social service, or recreational organization or agency whose activities produce broad personal benefits for large numbers of County residents, thereby contributing significantly to the quality of living in Sussex County.
13. **Beautification Award**
Awarded in recognition of an individual, business, or organization that enhances the economic well-being and quality of life in Sussex County by contributing to its beauty and maintenance.
14. **Chairman's Award**
Awarded in recognition of an individual or organization that has made an exemplary and/or extraordinary contribution to the County in at least the past twelve months. This award is presented by the immediate past Chair of the Chamber.
15. **Wellness Award**
Awarded in recognition of a business, non-profit organization and/or government entity that promotes a healthy Sussex County at its worksite through programming and/or other activities beyond the normal scope of its business, significantly contributing to the health and wellness of the business community.
16. **Women in Business Award:**
Awarded in recognition of a woman business leader with an established track record of significant accomplishments in business and/or community service.
17. **Lifetime Achievement Award:**
This new award recognizes an individual or business that has made an extraordinary, long-term contribution to the community for many years.