

2022 NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR AWARD

Award Nomination Guidelines

The Menomonie Area Chamber & Visitor Center will recognize top-performing nonprofits who have a significant presence in the Menomonie Area and are making our community a great place to work, play and live. Nonprofits who are nominated for this award should encompass some or all of the following attributes:

- Provides outstanding programs and services that make a profound difference in the Menomonie Area
- Embodies a spirit of volunteerism, altruism and respect
- Supports and demonstrates a collaborative spirit through creative community partnerships
- Inspires others by their example
- Displays strong fiscal management with diversified revenue sources
- Maintains a team of professional staff and leadership
- Shown stability or growth in services or expanded programs and services
- Proven contribution to enhancing the community's overall quality of life
- Demonstrated commitment to ethical business practices and employee support and development

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the Nonprofit of the Year Award, organizations must:

- Be a Chamber Investor in good-standing
- Be a registered 501c organization or service group as defined by the IRS
- Possess attributes as listed above

Organizations are only eligible to receive an award in this category once in a ten year timespan.

Organizations may receive nominations year-after-year if they are not selected for an award. Nominations are only valid for the year they are submitted. If you are nominating an organization, you are encouraged to verify eligibility. Nominations that do not meet eligibility criteria or those without a completed nomination form inclusive of supporting narrative in each category will not be considered.

Application & Judging Process

Nonprofit organizations that meet award eligibility criteria and receive a complete nomination will be considered for this award. Consideration of the top nominee will be given for most nominations and scoring from a criteria matrix set by the Menomonie Area Chamber & Visitor Center. The top nominations will be recommended by an award committee to the Chamber Board of Directors for final selection.

Nomination Process Timeline

December 1 - January 31: Nominations Accepted

February: Nominations Reviewed

March: Nominees Notified & Top Nominees Publicly Announced

May: Nominees/Recipients Honored at the Annual Meeting & Awards

The top 3 Nonprofit of the Year nominees will receive one complimentary ticket to the Annual Meeting & Awards where the top Nonprofit of the Year nominee will be announced as the award recipient. Award recipient information for this category will not be released publicly until after the Award night.



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Please mail a completed form to: Menomonie Area Chamber 1125 N Broadway St Menomonie, WI 54751
or email programs@menomoniechamber.org. Forms must be received by January 31, 2023 for consideration.

Name of organization you are nominating:

Address of org:

Phone number of org:

Name of person submitting this nomination:

Your contact phone:

Your contact email:

**Please answer each of the following questions. Only complete nominations will be considered.
The more information you offer, the stronger the nomination will be.**

1. Briefly describe the mission of this organization:

2. Briefly describe reasons why you feel this organization is deserving of this award.



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3. Describe how the organization has made a positive impact on the local community. Cite any major accomplishments the organization has seen in meeting their goal.

4. Provide any additional comments on how the organization contributes to the overall well-being of the community (contributions of time, money or resources, service and volunteer activity, leadership roles, partnerships with other non-profits, etc.):



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3. Please provide any additional information you find relevant for this nomination. Helpful information includes: data to support your nomination, newspaper/online articles recognizing the organization or additional details about what makes this organization the top award candidate in your opinion. Additional narrative may be provided by way of attachments.

