



## The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### **The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce Seeks Nominations for Unmasked Hometown Hero Awards**

**Bloomington, IN – June 16, 2020** – The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for its upcoming “Unmasked Hometown Hero Awards,” which will take place August 20<sup>th</sup>. Stories have been coming in throughout the pandemic of community members who have sacrificed for the greater good, taken care of their neighbors, or helped support others in need, and the Chamber would like to recognize them.

Can you help the Chamber “unmask” these hometown heroes? We’ve all noticed others around us during this time who have stepped up, given more than their share to our community so that we could continue on, and helped to take care of others. As we continue our recovery, we would like to pause to appreciate all that these heroes have done and celebrate the positive impact they have had on all of us.

You can nominate someone you’ve witnessed give more than others, innovate to make things better, or just be a really good person. Nominees can be a neighbor, friend, colleague, business, organization, nonprofit, student, child, teacher, healthcare professional, public servant or a stranger, and the Chamber will “unmask” them at the virtual ceremony on August 20<sup>th</sup>.

Nominations are **due by Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, so take time this week to recognize those who have given so much to us in the recent months. To make a nomination visit [www.chamberbloomington.org/heronominations](http://www.chamberbloomington.org/heronominations).

#### **Eligibility:**

Unmasked Hometown Hero nominees serve as an inspiration, serving others during the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic through innovation, caring, support, and strong love for their community. They may be employed in either the business sector or a non-profit organization, students, retirees or work from home. Other criteria include:

- The nominees may be any age - some of the youngest among us have demonstrated great heroics during this time.
- Chamber membership is not required; EXCEPT for nominees who live outside of Monroe County, must be a Chamber member in good standing.
- Nominees may have demonstrated their heroic natures through leadership or service and may have done so professionally or in their personal lives.

#### **About the Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce:**

The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce is a nonprofit membership organization serving as our community’s leading advocate for business. We offer unique leadership opportunities, meaningful volunteer activities, and exclusive business-building programs focused on critical economic, civic, and social priorities. Chamber members support each other and community initiatives, sharing information and resources to help create economic opportunity and community well-being. At the Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce, we believe that better business leads to a better community.

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