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## **Bloomington Chamber Seeks Nominations for Annual Awards**

**Bloomington, Ind. – June 24, 2024** – The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for six community awards that recognize and honor individuals, businesses and organizations that have distinguished themselves through outstanding volunteerism, accomplishments and contributions in the community. The awards will be presented at The Chamber's 109<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Community Awards on Thursday, September 26, 2024.

Anyone in the community may submit nominations. The online forms are available by visiting [www.ChamberBloomington.org](http://www.ChamberBloomington.org) or by contacting The Chamber at 812-336-6381 or [info@ChamberBloomington.org](mailto:info@ChamberBloomington.org). The deadline for submissions is Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m.

### **Award Criteria:**

- The nominee must be a member of The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce or employed by a member organization/business. '4 Under 40' nominees are exempt from this.
- A person/organization may be nominated in more than one category. However, each nomination must be submitted separately.
- Please provide as much detail as possible for the nomination. The independent selection committee solely uses the nomination form for selecting the award winners.

### **The 2024 awards slate includes:**

- **Lifetime Achievement Award**
  - Recognizes individuals who have had an immeasurable impact on our community over a sustained period.
- **New Business of the Year**
  - Recognizes a business or organization that has existed for less than five years.
- **Business of the Year**
  - Recognizes a business or organization that has existed for five years or more.
- **Community Anchor Award**
  - Recognizes a business or organization that has contributed positively to the local community over a sustained period.
- **4 Under 40 Awards**
  - Recognizes young professionals that make a significant impact within their organization through their leadership and work ethic, while also giving back to the community through civic involvement.
  - The nominees must be younger than 40 years of age before August 1, 2024. They do not have to be a member of the Chamber.
  - The nominees must not have won the award in the past (see list of past recipients at [chamberbloomington.org](http://chamberbloomington.org)).
- **Outstanding Educator Awards**
  - Recognizes an individual teacher, program director, counselor, administrator, or staff member at Monroe County Community School Corporation or Richland-Bean Blossom Community School Corporation.

**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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