

DOOR COUNTY ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR AWARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

This is the annual request for nominations for the **Door County Entrepreneur of the Year Award**, to be given to a selected Door County individual(s) who has taken the initiative to start and grow a successful small business in Door County. The award will be presented to the winner(s) at the Door County Economic Development Corporation Annual Investors Meeting, held in Spring 2016. Eligible entrepreneurs include those with fewer than 50 employees whose businesses exhibit exciting growth potential, have at least three years of successful business experience and demonstrated civic and community involvement.

Selection criteria includes:

- Exhibiting recent growth and future potential, through job creation, innovation and/or investment in the business;
- Demonstrated civic and community involvement.

To nominate an entrepreneur, please provide the required information listed below as completely as possible and submit to Door County Economic Development Corp., Entrepreneur of the Year Award, 185 E. Walnut St., Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235. Self-nominations are welcome, as are nominations for more than one firm. Only one nomination per company is required for consideration. If you have questions regarding nominations, please contact Sam Perlman, Economic Development Manager, 920-743-3113, ext. 204, sam@doorcountybusiness.com.

-Nominations are due to DCEDC by Friday, February 26th, 2016. -

Nomination for:

Company _____	Nominator _____
Contact Person _____	Company _____
Owner(s) _____	Address _____
Phone _____	City, State _____
Address _____	Zip _____
City, State _____	E-Mail _____
Zip _____	
E-Mail _____	
# of Employees _____	

REQUIRED NOMINATION INFORMATION

All nominations should include detailed information for all of the following categories; awards are based on the details provided in the nomination form.

1. **Company profile** - Briefly describe why you are nominating this individual or company for consideration as the Door County Entrepreneur of the Year.
2. **Product description** – Please provide information about this company’s primary product or service; there is no need to submit product samples or product catalogs/brochures.
3. **Financial growth or consistency** - Provide a business history and discuss future growth potential, through job creation, innovation and/or investment in the business. Optionally, provide annual sales growth or profitability figures for the last three years. (*Proprietary detailed financial information will be kept strictly confidential.*)
4. **Corporate citizenship** – Discuss involvement in civic affairs and community development.

DOOR COUNTY INDUSTRY OF THE YEAR AWARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

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Selection criteria includes:

- Stability within the marketplace and long-term business history;
- Demonstrated continued growth, in job creation and capital investment;
- Innovations in technology and/or business processes;
- Visionary leadership within the industry and business community;
- Corporate citizenship, including involvement in community affairs and development.

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2. **Financial growth or consistency** - Discuss stability within the marketplace and provide a long-term business history. Demonstrate continued growth, in job creation and capital investment. Optionally, provide annual sales growth or profitability figures for the last three years. *(Proprietary detailed financial information will be kept strictly confidential.)*
3. **Product description** - Please provide information about this company's primary product or service; there is no need to submit product samples or product catalogs/brochures.
4. **Innovations in technology and/or business processes** - Include any environmental solutions/innovations, R&D leadership and/or application of high technology.
5. **Visionary leadership** – Both within the industry and greater business community; illustrate any operational excellence/continuous improvement. Include management philosophy/employee commitment.
6. **Corporate citizenship** – Discuss involvement in community affairs and development.