



# 2019 Small Business of the Year Award NOMINATION FORM

The Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce’s Small Business of the Year Award has been presented to members annually since 1981. It provides the community at large the opportunity to recognize small businesses who demonstrate business/organizational growth, community involvement and exceptional service. This highly prestigious award is presented during the Chamber’s Small Business Week in April in three categories:

Business-to-Business	Business-to-Consumer	Charitable Non-Profit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Majority of customers are other businesses.</li> <li>• Must be a privately held business with a minimum of five years continuous ownership.</li> <li>• Must not be a <a href="#">previous recipient</a> of the award in any category.</li> <li>• Must have a significant footprint in the Wausau region.</li> <li>• Must have proven growth over the past three years.</li> <li>• Must have fewer than 100 full-time equivalent employees.</li> <li>• Must be a member of the Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce in good standing. (May apply for the award as a non-member, but must be a member by February 28, 2019.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Majority of customers are general consumers.</li> <li>• Must be a privately held business with a minimum of five years continuous ownership.</li> <li>• Must not be a <a href="#">previous recipient</a> of the award in any category.</li> <li>• Must have a significant footprint in the Wausau region.</li> <li>• Must have proven growth over the past three years.</li> <li>• Must have fewer than 100 full-time equivalent employees.</li> <li>• Must be a member of the Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce in good standing. (May apply for the award as a non-member, but must be a member by February 28, 2019.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a 501(c)3 organization.</li> <li>• Must have been an established organization for a minimum of five years.</li> <li>• Must not be a <a href="#">previous recipient</a> of the award in any category.</li> <li>• Must have a significant footprint in the Wausau region.</li> <li>• Must have proven growth over the past three years.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate outstanding contributions to the region.</li> <li>• Must have fewer than 100 full-time equivalent employees.</li> <li>• Must be a member of the Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce in good standing. (May apply for the award as a non-member, but must be a member by February 28, 2019.)</li> </ul>

**To nominate a business/organization, complete the simple form below and return to [programs@wausauchamber.com](mailto:programs@wausauchamber.com) by **3 pm on Thursday, January 17, 2019**.** All nominations are kept completely confidential throughout the process. Self-nominations are accepted. Nominees select which category they are applying for upon receiving the application. Unsure if a business/organization qualifies for the above criteria? Nominate them and we will find out for you. *Financial institutions and religious organizations are not eligible for the Small Business of the Year Award.* Questions? Call 715.848.5953 or e-mail [programs@wausauchamber.com](mailto:programs@wausauchamber.com).

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- Name of Nominated Business/Organization:**
- Location/Branch:**
- Principal/Owner(s)/Director:**
- E-mail Address of Principal/Owner(s)/Director (if known):**

**Tell us in a sentence or two why you are nominating this business/organization.**

- Nominated By:**
- Company:**

*PLEASE NOTE: The Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce has the right to review and dismiss nominations if the nominee does not meet the Small Business of the Year Awards eligibility criteria and/or other reasons that would diminish the significance of the Awards.*