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## 2019 Excelencia Awards Nomination and Criteria Form

(One Nominee Per Form)

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The Colorado Springs Hispanic Chamber of Commerce presents its 2019 Excelencia Business Awards to individuals, businesses and organizations that have proven to be leaders and have made a worthwhile contribution to the Colorado Springs metro area.

I nominate the following for the indicated award (please see criteria below):

**Members and non-members of the Hispanic Chamber may be nominated for the following:**

- Legacy Award (Lifetime Achievement Award)

**Nominees must be members of the Hispanic Chamber to be eligible for the following:**

- Business Person of the Year
- Hispanic Business of the Year
- Hispanic Emerging Business of the Year
- Rising Professional of the Year

**Name of Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business (If applicable):** \_\_\_\_\_

Accomplishments of the nominee (please refer to the awards criteria):

## ***EXCELENCIA AWARDS CRITERIA***

The following are the awards and related criteria by which nominations for our annual Excelencia Awards will be evaluated. The Colorado Springs Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (CSHCC) seeks to recognize those individuals and organizations that have had a significant, positive impact on the Hispanic business community. At the Excelencia Awards Committee's discretion, awards will be given if the criteria for each award have been met. In the case the committee feels that the criteria have not been sufficiently met by any of the nominees for a specific award, that award will not be given that year.

### ***Legacy Award***

Nominees for CSHCC Legacy (Lifetime Service Award) are iconic individuals that have been

- Strong advocates for the Hispanic community and
- Have increased awareness and understanding among the broader community of the importance and value of our region's bi-cultural and bilingual heritage and
- Are recognized community leaders with a long-standing record of community service, volunteerism and generosity on behalf of the Colorado Springs Hispanic community

### ***Business Person of the Year***

The CSHCC Hispanic Business Person of the Year is awarded to the top Hispanic person of a business of any size located or headquartered in Colorado Springs. As the owner or high ranking Hispanic executive of the company, the nominee exemplifies the strength and importance of

- Hispanic entrepreneurship
- Organizational management and
- Community leadership
- Must be CSHCC Member in Good Standing

### ***Hispanic Business of the Year***

The CSHCC Hispanic Business of the Year is awarded to a Hispanic majority owned business for demonstrating achievements in one or more of the following areas:

- Experienced growth in number of employees
- Increased sales or unit volumes
- Offered innovative products or services
- Contributed to the advancement of the Hispanic community in particular and the larger Colorado Springs community in general
- Must be a CSHCC Member in Good Standing

### ***Hispanic Emerging Business of the Year***

The CSHCC Hispanic emerging Business of the Year is awarded to a Hispanic majority owned business 3 years old or younger for demonstrating achievements in one or more of the following areas:

- Provided entrepreneurial leadership required for long term success
- Offered innovative products or services
- Experienced steady employment and/or sales growth

- Contributed to the advancement of the Hispanic community in particular and the larger Colorado Springs community in general
- Must be a CSHCC Member in Good Standing

***Rising Professional of the Year***

The CSHCC Rising Professional of the Year is awarded to a Hispanic individual (35 years old and younger) with notable contributions to the CSHCC and/or the Colorado Springs community in one or more of the following areas:

- Actively contribute to the betterment of their place of employment and/or the Colorado Springs community
- Consistently supports the CSHCC through his/her personal time and participation
- Must be a CSHCC Member in Good Standing

***Person Making Nomination:***

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

All nominations must be received by **November 1st, 2019**. Please email your nominations to [info@cosconcilio.com](mailto:info@cosconcilio.com)