

Small Business Awards 2010

Presented by the Brooks & District Chamber of Commerce

Nominate the Business or Person of your choice!

Nominations are open to any business, institution or organization in Brooks & the County of Newell

Previous winners may be re-nominated 3 years after receiving an award for that category

Award Categories

1. Business of the Year Awards

a) Under 20 employees- Sponsored by the Business Development Bank

b) Over 20 Employees- Sponsored by the Brooks & District Chamber of Commerce

Eligibility:

- Initiates the majority of its business operations from within the County of Newell
- Sources most of its support services and raw materials (where appropriate) in the County of Newell
- Employs the majority of its workforce in the County of Newell
- Has shown a contribution to the community
- Business achievement through growth & innovation

2. New Business of the Year - Sponsored by Community Futures Entre-Corp

Eligibility:

- Head office must be located in Southeastern Alberta
- Major business activity must take place with the province of Alberta
- Business must employ Albertans to produce goods and/or provide services
- Businesses may nominate themselves or be nominated
- Businesses must be in operation a minimum of 1 year to a maximum of 3 years as of October 20th, 2010

3. Customer Service Excellence

Sponsored by Mystery Shopper Program provided by Competitactics

Eligibility:

- Open to any employee that provides Customer Service above all expectations
- Employees are encouraged to submit a nomination in their recognition of excellence
- Every Industry qualifies for this category
- Nominee must not have been a recipient of this award over the past 5 years
- Nominee must be an employee within the boundaries of Brooks

4. Manager of the Year

Sponsored by Economic Development- County of Newell

Eligibility:

- Person shows enthusiasm and initiative in the operation of their business
- Demonstrate leadership capability in both business and community
- Provides excellent customer service
- Nominee must be located outside of Brooks but within the County of Newell
- Can be nominated by other business peers or employees

5. Diversity Business Award

Sponsored by Brooks & County Immigration Services

Eligibility:

- Demonstrated a consistent pattern of the organizations commitment to the recruitment, retention and promotion of the individuals of the immigrant population.
- Cultivate and promote diversity initiatives that establish and foster a more inclusive and equitable work force
- Exhibit visionary and insightful leadership to confront and resolve inequalities through strategic decision making, allocation of resources and establishment of priorities.
- Outline defined goals, action steps and accomplishments toward achieving a work environment that recognizes, promotes and encourages a diverse workforce at all levels through an organization
- Create new and progressive best practices that support diversity and inclusive goals



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Nomination Form

Nomination deadline October 6th, 2010

Open to any Business, Institution or Organization within Brooks and the County of Newell

I nominate the following Business/Person

Business/Persons Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ Business Contact _____

Category nominated in _____

Why I believe this Organization/Person is eligible for this award

Nominated by _____

Phone # _____ E-mail _____

The Chamber Business of the Year Committee will follow up on all nominations. Awards will be presented at the 2010 Awards Dinner on Wednesday October 20th. Contact the Chamber for tickets and information @ 403-362-7641 or visit our website www.brookschamber.ab.ca

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