

The Main Line Chamber of Commerce 2026 Business of the Year Nomination Criteria

The annual Business of the Year Awards will honor the achievements of:

- 1) *A member large business having 401 or more employees,*
- 2) *A member medium business having 51 to 400 employees*
- 3) *A member small business having 1 to 50 employees*

The recipients of the 2026 Business Awards will be honored during the Chamber's Celebration of Business Leadership on June 18, 2026.

Award Nomination Criteria

- Award recipients are honored for contributions to their specific fields of endeavor and to the community. (see criteria below)
- Nominees must be Main Line Chamber of Commerce members in good standing.
- Chamber members and non-Chamber members may make nominations.
- While individuals and companies are encouraged to nominate others, self-nominating is also permitted. The content of the nomination, including any metrics, will be the key determinants – above and beyond consideration of the individual or company making the nomination. In all cases, nominations should strive to tell a fact-filled story of why an individual or company should be honored.
- Nominations should be submitted by email to kdilullo@mlcc.org Subject: Award Nomination.
The deadline for receipt of nominations is 5 pm on Monday, May 11, 2026.
- Nominations will be reviewed by a Judging Panel. All nominations are kept strictly confidential. Judges reserve the right to divide categories into subcategories based on the volume of submissions.

If you know of a business that has been in existence for at least five consecutive years with any combination of these attributes:

- Has grown or expanded
- Uses approaches to product or service in way that objectively stands out amid peer businesses
- Been involved in professional, business or trade associations
- Demonstrated community involvement through the use of personnel and/or financial resources in one or more Main Line communities
- Exhibits entrepreneurial spirit
- Has over come challenges
- Received local, state, professional, trade or other recognition

Complete the nomination form that follows.

Nomination Deadline: 5 pm – Monday, May 11, 2026

2026 Business of the Year Nomination Form

Nomination Category: (please indicate)

- BUSINESS with 401 or more employees,
 MEDIUM BUSINESS with 51 to 400 employees
 SMALL BUSINESS with 1 to 50 employees or

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. *Do not hesitate to nominate a business if you don't have all the information.*

You may nominate as often as you wish. You may nominate yourself. You may make duplicate copies of this form. Please print or type:

NOMINEE

Name of Business: _____

Owner/Officer of Business: _____

Business Address: _____

Business City, State, Zip: _____

Business Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Type of Business:
 Retail Wholesale Service Non-Profit Other (specify) _____

Brief Description of Products or Services:

NOMINATOR (if other than Nominee):

Name: _____

Company/Organization Name: _____

Business Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Provide answers **as you know them** for the following questions. The nominated business will be contacted by the Chamber for supporting information. Tell us what you know, and most importantly, tell us what you think—why you believe the business should be the recipient of an award!

Ownership of Business: _____ Sole Proprietor _____ Corporation _____ Partnership _____ Organization

Number of Years in Business: _____

Approximate Number of paid employees: Full time _____ Part time _____

Please give detailed reasons for the nomination (based on the attributes named above).

What innovation(s) or special practices make the nominated business/organization stand out from the crowd?
(50 words or less)

Briefly describe 3 of the nominated company's most notable achievements in the last 5 years. (100 words or less)

What impact has the nominated business had on the Main Line community? (50 words or less)

What would being designated as a Business of the Year mean to the nominated business/organization?
(100 words or less)