

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

Do you work with or know a business that is minority owned and operated and shows evidence of success as measured by sales and profits, demonstrating an impressive ability to lead and inspire necessary for long term business success and economic growth? Nominate them today for the 2026 Minority Business Owner of the Year Award from The Main Line Chamber of Commerce!

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

Award Nomination Criteria

- Award recipients are honored for their professional leadership/accomplishment and involvement in the local community. (see criteria below)
- Nominees must be employed by a Main Line Chamber of Commerce member 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 Nominations.
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.

Nominations will be accepted for Minority Business Owners who have operated their business for a minimum of five years and demonstrate the following attributes:

- Financial success/growth,
- Established vision, insight, discernment and a focus on continuous improvement,
- Demonstrated management ability and success,
- Devotes time and energy to improving the local community,

Complete the nomination form that follows.

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

2026 Minority Business Owner of the Year Nomination Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. *Do not hesitate to nominate an individual 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: _____

Company/Organization Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Business City, State, Zip: _____

Business Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

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 individual 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 this individual should be the recipient of an award!

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

Provide data about the financial performance of the company over the past five fiscal years – addressing both revenue and profitability as specifically as possible.

2021:

2022:

2023:

2024:

2025:

List the nominated individual's community participation. This should include service to, and offices held in, organizations such as chambers of commerce, associations, and non-profit boards. (50 words or less)

Describe the nominee's management abilities and successes. This can include but is not limited to effectively cutting costs without harming service levels, adding or redeploying employees and developing new product lines/initiatives, etc. (100 words or less)

What makes this nominee worthy of recognition? Include any additional information you feel is important for consideration of your nominee. List awards, honors received, publications, or evidence supporting service to their profession/industry (locally or globally). (100 words or less)