

Logansport/Cass County Chamber of Commerce

Nomination Form and Award Criteria

Each year members of our community are given the privilege to select local companies and business people, who are Chamber of Commerce Members, to receive recognition for their outstanding contributions to our community.

We are seeking your input as we decide which companies and business people have had the greatest impact on the quality of life in Cass County during the past year.

There will be five awards presented at the Annual Dinner. The awards are for the following categories:

Business Man of the Year
Business Woman of the Year
Large Business/Industry of the Year
Small Business/Retailer of the Year
Quality of Life Award

Nominations must be submitted by **Tuesday, October 8, 2019** (absolute deadline), and will be kept confidential. You may nominate as many individuals/businesses/organizations as you wish, but each nomination must be submitted on its own form (last page of this document) to be considered. A committee of Cass County residents and community leaders will review all nominations. The finalist in each category will be notified in late October in order to be present to receive their award.

Business Man of the Year

This award is given to one man who meets the following criteria:

1. Has been active in the Cass County Business Community for at least 2 years.
2. Has promoted and demonstrated Chamber advocacy by being a Chamber member or by being employed by a Chamber member. Must have contributed to the growth and strength of the Chamber by having volunteered for Chamber events or having served on a Chamber committee or on the Chamber Board of Directors.
3. Has significantly contributed to the improvement of the quality of life in Logansport and/or Cass County through their dedication, contributions and support of various organizations and activities.

Business Woman of the Year

This award is given to one woman who meets the following criteria:

1. Has been active in the Cass County Business Community for at least 2 years.
2. Has promoted and demonstrated Chamber advocacy by being a Chamber member or by being employed by a Chamber member. Must have contributed to the growth and strength of the Chamber by having volunteered for Chamber events or having served on a Chamber committee or on the Chamber Board of Directors.
3. Has significantly contributed to the improvement of the quality of life in Logansport and/or Cass County through their dedication, contributions, and support of various organizations and activities.

Large Business/Industry of the Year

This award is given to a business/industry/manufacturer with more than 50 employees and/or an annual operating budget of more than \$2 million dollars that meets the following criteria:

1. This business must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and must be a member of the Logansport/Cass County business community for at least 2 years.
2. This business has fostered a positive, progressive work environment for their employees.
3. This business is recognized by their peers as a provider of quality goods and services.
4. This business must have made a substantial contribution during the previous year to the economic health and vitality of the Logansport/Cass County area (i.e. maintaining or increasing employment levels, expansion or renovation of their facility, utilization of local suppliers, etc.)
5. This business has made significant contributions during the previous year to social, civic, or charitable efforts in the Logansport/Cass County community.

Small Business/Retailer of the Year

This award is given to a business or commercial retailer with 50 or less employees and an annual operating budget of less than \$2 million dollars that meets the following criteria:

1. This business/retailer must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and must be a member of the Logansport/Cass County business community for at least 2 years.
2. This business/retailer has fostered a positive, progressive work environment for their employees.
3. This business/retailer has demonstrated significant growth over the past 2 years (through increased productivity or increased employment levels).
4. This business/retailer has made a substantial contribution during the previous year to the economic health and vitality of the Logansport/Cass County area (i.e. special national or statewide recognition, maintaining or increasing employment levels, enhancement or remodel of existing facility, expansion/relocation to a new facility, etc.).
5. This business/retailer has taken the extra effort to set itself above the others through its support of community programs and services by its owners, staff and employees – demonstrated by significant in-kind or financial contributions during the previous year to social, civic or charitable efforts in the Logansport/Cass County community.

Quality of Life Award

This award is given to a not-for-profit organization or business:

1. This not-for-profit/business must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and must have an active presence in the Logansport/Cass County community for at least 2 years.
2. This not-for-profit/business has significantly contributed to the overall quality of life for the Logansport/Cass County community and its citizens through its programming and/or activities. This programming contribution has made a difference in the daily lives of the greater number of citizens targeted by its services. This organization demonstrates positive, proactive, ongoing efforts to improve our community – supported by its volunteers, board members, and staff.
3. This not-for-profit/business has had a significant increase in volunteer efforts or numbers of citizens served through its programs/services.
4. This not-for-profit/business has made a significant, substantial contribution in the previous year to the social, civic, or charitable health and well being of the Logansport/Cass County community. In addition, this not-for-profit has taken the extra effort to set itself above the others through its recognized leadership within the community for fostering ongoing community development.

Nomination Form

Deadline for Nominations is Oct. 18, 2018

Please complete the application, giving as much supporting information as you are able to supply. Your efforts will help our panel of judges choose the best qualified candidates for the awards. Please return completed applications to:

Logansport/Cass County Chamber of Commerce
311 S. 5th St.
Logansport, IN 46947
(574) 753-6388

Award Category: _____

Nominated by: _____

1. Name of Nominee: _____

Position>Title: _____

2. Place of Business: _____

Year Established: _____

3. Briefly describe the nature of this business: _____

4. Utilizing the criteria pertaining to the Award for which this nomination is submitted, list the criteria qualifications and/or major contributions:

5. Additional Comments: