



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS 2018 Business Awards

Any member in good standing with the Laramie Chamber Business Alliance may submit nominations for any of the awards outlined below. To be considered, nominees must be members in good standing of the Laramie Chamber Business Alliance at the time of nomination. A list of members is available under our Business Directory on our website: www.laramie.org/directory or on request. An employee of any member in good standing may also nominate their employer for any of the awards. **The nomination form must be completely filled out for full consideration!** Nominations will be compiled and a nominating committee will pick the top four candidates. This slate of nominees will then be voted on by the membership. For questions, please call Hannah Robinson at 307-745-7339 or email hrobinson@laramie.org.

- Businesses/Individuals can only nominate one person.
- Businesses/Individuals can only be nominated for one award.
- Must be a member in good standing.

The Awards for 2018 are:

- **Business of the Year Awards**
 - *Large Business (25 or more employees)*
 - *Small Business (24 or fewer employees)*
- **Jim Cavalli Service to Others Award**
- **The Shuster Award**
- **Business Person of the Year**

Nominations for all awards are due by Friday, January 18, 2018 by 4:00 p.m. Nominations will be compiled and a nominating committee will pick the top four nominees for each award. A ballot of the four nominees that have met the award criteria and are eligible to receive the awards will then be sent out to every voting member. Each member has one vote. Recipients of each award will be announced at the Annual Membership Meeting & Banquet February 28, 2019.

AWARDS

Business of the Year Awards

These awards are to recognize and honor businesses that have demonstrated "Best Practices" of entrepreneurship, such as sound business planning, fiscal responsibility and work process innovation in operating their business. Nominees must exemplify commitment to free enterprise and entrepreneurship.

Judging Criteria

- In business in Laramie for at least one full year.
- Financially stable and operational.
- Contributes to and promotes the economic growth, stability and improvement of Laramie and Albany County
- Senior management and employees of the business give generously in time and resources.
- Senior management and employees play a leadership role in civic activities.

Jim Cavalli Service to Others Award

The objective of this award is to recognize and honor an individual, organization, or corporation that has demonstrated selfless service to others in the community to the betterment of Laramie and its residents, and has done without regard to personal gain nor to advance the corporation by which they are employed.

Judging Criteria

- Has been involved with the betterment of the community for more than the past year.
- Has demonstrated community leadership.
- Has initiated creativity and demonstrated resourcefulness.
- Has demonstrated unselfishness towards the economic betterment of the Laramie area and Albany County, and/or its residents.

The Shuster Award

This is a special category that recognizes a proven successful locally owned business.

Judging Criteria

- Demonstrates leadership in a local business.
- Locally owned
- Goes out of their way to help the community.
- Been in business for at least two years.
- Has contributed to the economic health of the community.

Business Person of the Year

This award is to honor and celebrate exceptional service by an individual who has positively contributed to the quality of life in Laramie. Individual has consistently demonstrated a high level of community involvement through participation in civic, community, and active leadership role for employees, peers, and citizens of Laramie.

Judging Criteria

- Been in business more than five (5) years.
- Demonstrates leadership in a local business.
- Consistently involved in service to the organizations.
- Has had an extended period of continuing service and community involvement.
- Demonstrates positive contributions to the Mission and Vision of the organizations.



2018 Business Awards Nomination Form

General Information

- Businesses may be nominated in more than one category.
- Each nomination must be entered separately.
- Nominee must meet award criteria to be eligible.
- Nominee Company must be an active member of The Alliance.
- Nominations must be received by Wednesday, January 10, 2018 before 4:00 p.m. to be eligible.
- Please email to hrobinson@laramie.org or mail to 800 S. 3rd St. Laramie, WY 82070 Attn.: Hannah Robinson

Top four nominees that meet the award criteria will be recognized at the Annual Membership Meeting & Banquet Thursday, February 28, 2018.

Name of Nominee: _____

Company: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Nominated by: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Nomination is for: (check one)

_____ Large Business of the Year (25 or more employees) _____ Jim Cavalli Service to Others

_____ Small Business of the Year (24 or fewer employees) _____ Business Person of the Year

_____ The Shuster Award

Why have you nominated this business and/or individual?

How do they meet the award criteria?

How do they help the Laramie community?

What service clubs and organizations are they involved in?

Any additional comments on why they should receive this award?