



Nomination Deadline: August 31, 2019 Forms are also available at stonyplainchamber.ca



Businesses and individuals are invited to submit nominations for the **2019 Chamber of Commerce Business Awards Gala**. Businesses may be self or third party nominated. All nominees will be contacted and required to complete and return a nomination package in order for the nomination to stand.

Nominations will be accepted until August 31, 2019. Forms are also available on-line at www.stonyplainchamber.ca

Business or person nominated: _____ Nominee contact name/title: Phone: Email: _____ Please select from the following awards; you may select more than one category. Please refer to eligibility criteria. ☐ Business of the Year ☐ Environmental Stewardship ☐ Decker Kulak – Integrity in Business ☐ New Business of the Year ☐ Tri-Regional Co-operative People's Choice for Customer Service ** ☐ Marketer of the Year ☐ Community Volunteer ** ☐ Parkland Rural Business of the Year ** If nomination is for Community Volunteer or Customer Service Award, please attach letter of recommendation. Nominated by: Phone: Email: ____ Additional comments (optional):

The business nominated will be contacted by the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce to notify them of their nomination. It is the discretion of the business to accept or decline the nomination(s), and to complete and return a nomination package. Each award category winner is selected by an impartial adjudication committee that thoroughly reviews the documentation submitted by nominees, and winners are announced at the Business Awards Gala on November 1, 2019.

Delivery of Nomination Forms

• emailed to: <u>info@stonyplainchamber.ca</u>

• faxed to: (780) 963-4542

delivered to: Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce

4815 - 44 Ave., Stony Plain, AB T7Z 1V5

Questions? Call us at (780) 963-4545



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Nominations for the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce Awards will be evaluated on the following criteria:



PEOPLES CHOICE FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE- Sponsored by Freson Bros.

An individual, business or organization who consistently offers exemplary customer service that exceeds typical expectations for their industry or sector. • Demonstrates the principles and practices of excellence and creativity in customer service. • Finalists will be announced on-line and the public will be invited to vote for the winner. • Member or employed by a member in good standing of the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce. Cannot self-nominate in this category.



BUSINESS OF THE YEAR – Sponsored by Servus Credit Union

Displays superior customer service and active involvement in community service. • Demonstrates significant achievement in business (growth, sales, and expansion). • Minimum three (3) years in business. Must be a member in good standing with the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce



NEW BUSINESS OF THE YEAR - Sponsored by TRINUS

In existence, no longer than 36 months (under current ownership). • Demonstrates significant achievement in business (growth, new product, sales, and expansion). • Reflects the outstanding spirit and success of the municipality's business community. • Does not have to be a member of the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce.



MARKETER OF THE YEAR – Sponsored by Adamitz Financial Solutions Inc.

Developed and implemented a successful marketing strategy that has had significant impact on the organization. • Embarked on the strategy within the last two (2) years. • Member or employed by a member in good standing of the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce.



COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR- Sponsored by North Central Co-op

An individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the community of Stony Plain through volunteer service. • An individual who volunteers time with a local school, government entity, sports or cultural organization or any other non-profit organization or any combination thereof. • Demonstrates exceptional commitment, dedication, service, creativity, cooperation or leadership. • Serves as a role model for others in their community. Inspires others to engage in volunteer service. • Exemplifies the spirt of community service. • Must not be paid for their activities.



ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP- Sponsored by EQUS

An individual, business or organization demonstrating excellence in green practice, strategy and products. • Reducing, solving or avoiding an environmental problem; demonstrating responsible environmental management practices. • Promoting public awareness for the enhancement and protection of the environment. Member or employed by a member in good standing of the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce.



TRI REGIONAL CO-OPERATIVE- Sponsored by Community Co-operatives Group

An organization or business that is represented in the Tri Region. • Contributes to the economic success of the Tri Region. • Impacts the social well-being of the Tri Region. • Business must demonstrate the above criteria in all three (3) municipalities. • Does not have to be a member of the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce.



DECKER KULAK INTEGRITY IN BUSINESS- Sponsored by Decker Properties Group & Decker Properties Management

An entrepreneur who has made their business or the business they are employed at a success • Actively contributes to the clubs/organizations through the donation of time or financial assistance • Demonstrates a high level of integrity within the business community. • Business activity and community activity must primarily be Stony Plain based • Member or employed by a member in good standing of the Stony Plain & District Chamber of Commerce.



RURAL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR - Sponsored by Parkland County

A small business who located in rural Parkland County. • Actively operated for a minimum of one year and have a valid Parkland County Approval to Operate Certificate. • Demonstrates outstanding customer service, environmental leadership, innovation and community involvement. • Businesses may nominate themselves or be nominated by another business/individual. In addition, rural businesses may be from any sector (eg. tourism, homebased businesses, etc.).

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Visit ChooseStonyPlain.com/awards starting August 19 for nomination form & criteria for the following two awards.



AMBASSADOR OF ACTION BUSINESS AWARD - Sponsored by the Town of Stony Plain

Must have a valid Town of Stony Plain business license and demonstrate that in the last year the business has: Made an investment in their building/facility • Created new jobs • Offered new or enhanced products or services • Generated profile as a result of their success.

AWARD OF CREATIVE EXCELLENCE- Sponsored by the Town of Stony Plain

Only events, projects or initiatives by an organization or non-profit that takes place in Stony Plain will be eligible • Individuals nominated must be a resident of Stony Plain • Businesses must have a valid business license from the Town of Stony Plain to be eligible • The recipient of the award will not be eligible for nomination again for two years after winning • Events, projects or initiatives must have taken place during the 18 months prior to the open date of nominations.