



# 2020 Annual Awards Ceremony Nomination Form

*Help us recognize the people and businesses  
that make our community special!*

Please nominate an individual or business that you feel best exemplifies one of the following award categories. Anyone can complete a nomination form, but nominees for the Small and Large Business of the Year must be members of the Knox County Chamber of Commerce. These award nominations should be based on their accomplishments in 2019.

**Nomination(s) must be in the Chamber office by May 29, 2020. A separate form for EACH AWARD CATEGORY and nominee must be presented.** Please print or type your information. You may attach additional pages if necessary. After receiving all nominations, the Knox County Chamber of Commerce Awards Committee will review and make a final determination of award recipients. Award winners will be recognized at a Virtual Awards Ceremony on Friday, June 19, 2020.

Check One: ☐ Large Business of the Year ☐ Small Business of the Year  
☐ Business Woman of the Year ☐ C. James McCormick Community Leader of the Year  
☐ Educator of the Year ☐ Public Servant of the Year  
☐ Nonprofit of the Year

Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Phone Number/E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Company or Org: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Company/Org: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Phone Number/E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE – SELF-NOMINATIONS ARE ACCEPTABLE AND ENCOURAGED.**

In your opinion, why should your nominee win? (You may attach additional page(s))

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Please give specific examples of how your nominee has fulfilled the award criteria & considerations. In addition, you may include resumes, press clippings, letters, or any other information that you feel should be considered by the Awards Committee. (You may attach additional page(s))

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Return this form by fax to 812-882-6441, E-mail to [info@knoxcountychamber.com](mailto:info@knoxcountychamber.com), mail to PO Box 553, Vincennes, IN 47591 or deliver to 316 Main Street, Vincennes, IN. Please read the criteria and complete this form.

**Return to the Chamber office by May 29, 2020.**



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## Categories

*Please submit information on the nomination form that address the following considerations and criteria for each award. For more information, call 812-882-6440.*

**Large Business of the Year:** Awarded annually to a Knox County Chamber of Commerce business member with 25 or more employees and have been a member of the Knox County Chamber for at least 3 years. This for-profit business sets a shining example within its field of expertise and provides continuous contribution to Knox County.

**Small Business of the Year:** Awarded annually to a Knox County Chamber of Commerce business member with fewer than 25 employees and have been a member of the Knox County Chamber for at least 3 years. This for-profit business sets a shining example within its field of expertise and provides continuous contribution to Knox County.

**Business Woman of the Year:** This individual has made significant contributions to the success of their business or profession. They have volunteered time and energy to improve the community in which they live. This woman exhibits distinction, inspiration, and inventiveness in their business or profession and inspired others to become outstanding in their field.

**C. James McCormick Community Leader of the Year:** C. James McCormick was an incredible role model for our community. He was involved in many organizations at the local, state, and national level. He firmly believed in the concept of "paying it forward" which led to his support of many charities and worthwhile causes. He served as First Vice Chair of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce and involved in several other civic organizations. He also received many awards in his lifetime including the Sagamore of the Wabash from four different Indiana Governors and the Vincennes University Walter A. Davis Memorial Citation.

The C. James McCormick Community Leader of the Year Award will be awarded to an individual who has made a significant impact on Knox County and enhanced the quality of life for area residents. This person would be an "unsung hero" who has constantly worked to make Knox County better but isn't always on the front page. This person has contributed substantial personal time, financial support, and/or effort to the community and civic events, thereby leading to a higher standard of living in Knox County.

The McCormick Family Foundation will donate \$2,500 in the recipient's name to their Knox County charity of choice.

**Educator of the Year:** This award is presented to a teacher or administrator working in a Knox County K – 12 public or private school system. Consideration will be given to nominee's years of service as an educator; special accomplishments in the profession, innovative teaching practices, endearment to students and other educators, awards and other recognitions, and other demonstrations of dedication to the education profession. Community service and other activities outside of the profession will also be considered.

**Public Servant of the Year:** This award recognizes those who protect the wellness of the community by going beyond what is expected of them. This person may be referred to as a hero that has demonstrated a heroic act which had an impact on this community or an individual. They may be considered a hero in their line of work as a law enforcement officer, firefighter, EMT or any other professional that works for the immediate well-being of the citizens of this community.

**Nonprofit of the Year:** This award recognizes an organization that exemplifies the best practices in nonprofit management, professional development and makes a profound difference in the lives of the citizens of Knox County. They develop and foster the virtues and skills of civic engagement and social responsibility within our community, as well as maintain a positive image. The organization's conduct is above reproach regarding ethics, quality and service.

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