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Awards

2019 Award Application Packet



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OVERVIEW

The Project BEST Awards Program is a celebration of the tri-state construction industry and everything that has been achieved over the past twelve months. The awards recognize companies, teams and individuals that deliver outstanding results in the industry through collaboration and innovation. These prestigious awards provide one of the most effective platforms for leading companies to maximize their industry exposure for excelling in the tri-state construction industry and recognition can help attract new clients, bolster existing relationships and raise overall company morale

Project BEST takes great pride in recognizing individual and organizational achievements in the tri-state construction industry. Through Project BEST's annual awards programs, members can receive recognition for excellence in construction. The annual awards are presented at highly visible events and all members are encouraged to submit nominations. The awards presentations continue to break records, elevating the profile of the companies involved. In order to be awarded for all your efforts you must take part in the awards process - plan now to submit in one, or multiple categories! All current Project BEST members may submit nominations for this prestigious award. Winners will receive significant publicity in the Under Construction magazine, on Project BEST's and OVCEC's website, in-person at the 2019 Project BEST Awards Gala, and other construction industry media outlets.

DETAILS

To apply for any of the Project BEST Excellence in Construction Awards, please submit a completed application form no later than **March 1, 2019**. Applications can be sent via:

- Fax at 304.242.7261
- Email at projectbest@projectbest.com
- Mailed to Project BEST, 21 Armory Drive, Wheeling WV 26003

Completed applications include a nomination form as well as your contact information, in case we need to reach you regarding components of your nomination.



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AWARDS

There are eight (8) Award Categories;

- Subcontractor of the Year Award
- Supporting Business of the Year Award
- Person of the Year Award
- Project of the Year Award
- General Contractor of the Year Award
- Craftsman of the Year Award
- Architect of the Year Award
- Distinguished Service Award

One winner per Award Category will be chosen based upon Eligibility and Judging Criteria

PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

2017

Reynolds Memorial Hospital & WVU--Reynolds Cancer Center
Wheeling Jesuit University--Campion Hall
Ohio County Board of Education- Ritchie Elementary School
East Coast Metal Systems - New Facility
St. Johns Church
Davis Brothers Pharmacy
Timet-- Billet Expansion
Belmont County Commissioners-- Belmont County Courthouse

2016

Business Development Corporation of the Northern Panhandle – Chester Building
Belmont County Commissioners – Belmont County Historical Sheriffs Residence
Marshall County Schools – John Marshall High School
Shenango Auto Mall
WesBanco Arena
Wheeling Hospital – Site Work
Wheeling Jesuit University – Dormitory Renovations
Wheeling Jesuit University – Press Box Renovation

2015

City of Wheeling – Market Street Plaza Renovation
Eastern Gateway Community College – Lighting/HVAC Upgrades
Hancock County Dodge, Chrysler, Jeep & Ram Truck – Renovation
Marshall County Commission – Marshall County Public Safety Building
New Life Church – Renovation
Ohio Valley Medical Center – Radiology Department
Reynolds Memorial Hospital – Rapid Care Office
West Liberty University – Campbell Hall Health Science Building
Wheeling Island Hotel-Casino-Racetrack – Lobby/Suites Renovation
Ziegenfelder Company – Office Renovation

SUBCONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *Subcontractor of the Year Award* is presented annually to a subcontractor who has displayed the highest quality in their work this year. A subcontractor is defined as a sub under the general contractor. These are individuals who deliver the highest quality of labor, are reliable and dependable and work well with both the general contractors and their customers. Nominees for the *Subcontractor of the Year Award* should be companies that have provided our industry with outstanding goods and services continuously.

CRITERIA-----

The *Subcontractor of the Year Award* will go to an tri-state area subcontractor that models:

Quality Performance in Timely Execution

- Hardworking
- Authority to make decisions
- Delivery of consistently exceptional results

Communication with the General Contractor

- Professional
- Forthcoming with information

Overall Customer Service

- Character in dealings
- Satisfaction of contract requirements as specified by the owner
- Demonstrated effectiveness in general customer support

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated candidates must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Must have 3 years of service to the construction industry.
- Candidates should have contributed significantly toward the stated goals and purposes of the mission of Project BEST
- Active with Project BEST (OVCEC/UOVBT)
- Member of OVCEC
- Must have worked on a project between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

Candidates must be nominated by a participating Project BEST member. One company will be selected for the *Subcontractor of the Year Award* each year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

SUPPORTING BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *Supporting Business of the Year Award* is presented annually to a business who demonstrates success not only in their daily operations, but in their contributions to the construction industry as well. These organizations exist within our communities and can be considered an economic backbone of our area. This award celebrates the entrepreneurial spirit and rich diversity of our local business, acknowledges the growth of an individual business this year, and also recognizes their continued commitment and support to our construction industry and building trades.

CRITERIA-----

The *Supporting Business of the Year Award* will go to a tri-state area business that models:

Contribution to Construction Industry

- Demonstrated dedication to the construction industry-
- Support to contractors, business or building trades in service or work performed

Staying Power

- Substantiated history as an established business
- Continued commitment to future in region

Contribution to Community

- Actively involved in community
- Continued support and dedication to community specific needs
- Demonstrated history of involvement in community economic development

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated candidates must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Must have operated business for a minimum of 1 year
- Nominees must be an OVCEC member for at least 1 year
- Nominated business must operate primarily within the tri-state area
- Nominees must provide support (in-kind and/or financial) to their community

Candidates may be nominated by a participating Project BEST member. One individual/business will be selected for the *Supporting Business of the Year Award* each year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *Person of the Year Award* is presented annually to an individual who has significantly made an impact on not only the construction industry, but their community as well. This individual is an outstanding member of our area whose accomplishments exemplify the values and mission of Project BEST, but had also contributed extensively to the success and development of the tri-state area. This award serves to reward and recognize individuals that have made an exceptional difference in our community this year.

CRITERIA-----

The *Person of the Year Award* will go to a tri-state area citizen that has:

Demonstrated a personal commitment to the benefit of the community

- Can be service, volunteering or financial contribution
- Involved in community outside work or educational requirements

Significantly impacted the area

- Performed an outstanding achievement or act of heroism
- Exhibited selflessness
- Displayed substantial contribution to the area

Positive and inspiring personal attributes that serve to encourage others

- Overcome significant adversity
- Serve as a role model for the community
- Been paramount in shaping the tri-state community

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated candidates must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Must be a citizen of the tri-state area
- Nominee must be age twenty-one (21) or older
- The achievement(s) on which the nomination is based must occur between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018 to be eligible

Candidates may be nominated by a participating member of Project BEST. One individual will be selected for the *Person of the Year Award* each year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *Project of the Year Award* is presented annually to a project who has gone above and beyond in their work. This award is dedicated to honoring the best construction project utilizing union labor that designed and built them in the tri-state area. The purpose of this award is to honor innovation, expertise and quality project management applied towards the successful execution of a construction by the Project BEST member companies in 2019. Any type of construction project is eligible for the award, including both new construction and renovation.

CRITERIA-----

The *Project of the Year Award* will go to a tri-state area project that demonstrates each of the following criteria:

- Project Teamwork
- Client Satisfaction
- Craftsmanship
- Innovation
- Meeting Difficult Challenges
- Safety
- Sustainable Construction Practices
- Project Excellence
- Supply chain best practice
- Completion on time/early and to budget
- Utilization of union labor within project
- A stand-out performance that particularly merits this award- the 'wow' factor

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated projects must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Project must have been completed between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018
- Candidates should have contributed significantly toward the stated goals and purposes of the mission of Project BEST

Candidates must be nominated by a participating member of Project BEST. One individual will be selected for the *Project of the Year Award* each year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

GENERAL CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *General Contractor of the Year Award* is presented annually to a contractor who has facilitated industrial development and promoted industries best practices for the tri-state's public and private construction. A general contractor qualifies as the contractor responsible for a construction site, management of vendors, and communication of information throughout the course of a building project. The individual awarded has made substantial contributions to the community and Project BEST and consistently demonstrates exceptional results.

CRITERIA-----

The *General Contractor of the Year Award* will go to a tri-state area contractor that models:

Organization

- Completes projects efficiently
- Finishes tasks early or on time
- Processes paperwork quickly

Open Communication and Safety

- Makes significant contributions to labor and management relations
- Superior professionalism
- Proper safety and security measures on jobsite

Community Impact

- Significant contribution to community through work, employment or service
- Active commitment to bettering local area

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated candidates must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Must have 5 years of service to the construction industry.
- Candidates should have contributed significantly toward the stated goals and purposes of the mission of Project BEST
- Active with Project BEST (OVCEC/UOVBT)

Candidates must be nominated by a participating member of Project BEST. One contractor will be selected for the *General Contractor of the Year Award* each year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

CRAFTSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *Craftsman of the Year Award* is presented annually to a craftsman who has demonstrated outstanding labor, management cooperation and quality craftsmanship in the construction industry in their work. A craftsman from any craft is eligible and includes apprentices, journeymen, foremen and general foreman. This award is given to building trades member who has a gift for recognizing the vision of a project and can bring that vision — from blueprint to building — to fruition in a professional manner.

CRITERIA-----

The *Craftsman of the Year Award* will go to a tri-state area craftsman that encompasses one or more of the following criteria listed below:

Schedule and Budget: e.g. providing outstanding supervision on a particular project which contributed to completion ahead of schedule

Productivity: e.g. providing a work ethic which was implemented and resulted in a significant increase in productivity on a particular project

Cost: e.g. providing a proposal which was implemented and resulted in a significant cost savings on a particular project

Quality: e.g. providing outstanding craftsmanship or workmanship on a particular project

Safety and Health: e.g. proposing to address unique safety or health issues which resulted in a significant reduction in accidents and injuries

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated candidates must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Only apprentices, journeymen, foremen and general foreman who have worked for a participating Project BEST member are eligible
- All crafts are eligible
- Projects must have been completed in 2018
- Nominees must have worked under any type of building trades collective bargaining agreement

Candidates must be nominated by a participating member of Project BEST. One individual will be selected for the *Craftsman of the Year Award* each year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

ARCHITECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *Architect of the Year Award* is presented annually to an architect who has demonstrated all-around design excellence over a body of work. These individuals display impressive craftsmanship, design creativity and an understanding of area needs, as well as an appreciation for the aesthetic unique to our community. These individuals have made outstanding contributions to the construction industry and the architectural landscape of the tri-state area and this award celebrates their vision, innovation and imagination.

CRITERIA-----

The *Architect of the Year Award* will go to a tri-state area architect that models:

Innovation

- Develops novel concepts
- Capability of reinventing current practices
- Discovers creative solutions to challenging problems

Sustainability

- Designs offer longterm stability
- Utilize local materials and resources

Purpose

- Designs are functional and practical
- Finished projects achieve the customer's original intention
- Provide positive impact on local community

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated candidates must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Project must have been completed between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018
- Architects may have worked on any structure, whether new or restored, rehabilitated or converted as long as they contain an element of architectural design
- At least 2 years of experience as an architect

Candidates must be nominated by a participating member of Project BEST. One architect/firm will be selected for the *Architect of the Year Award* each year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

DESCRIPTION-----

The *Distinguished Service Award* is presented annually to the individual or organization in recognition of outstanding service within the construction industry and our association. This award is presented to an individual who, over a period of time, has served the tri-state area in an outstanding way, especially through volunteerism, service or support. The *Distinguished Service Award* recognizes those who focus attention on the exemplary, and by doing so, elevate the profession overall and establish a high standard of excellence within the construction industry.

CRITERIA-----

The *Distinguished Service Award* will go to a tri-state area individual or organization that has:

Made a significant and lasting impact on the tri-state area

- Unwavering dedication to philanthropy benefiting the community
- Gone above and beyond expectations
- May be a specific event or a long-term pattern of service

Demonstrated exemplary service

- May be a commitment of time or finance
- Displayed over a period of years

Consistent display of altruism

- Unselfish
- Exhibited over a period of years
- Unwavering compassion and empathy

ELIGIBILITY-----

Nominated candidates must meet the following requirements before being listed for selection:

- Candidates should have contributed significantly toward the stated goals and purposes of the mission of Project BEST
- Active with Project BEST (OVCEC/UOVBT)
- Actively dedicated to philanthropy in the tri-state area

Candidates must be nominated by a participating member of Project BEST. One individual will be selected for the *Distinguished Service Award* per year. Awards will be presented at the Project BEST Awards Gala on March 28, 2019.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who Can Submit a Nomination?

Nominee eligibility criteria is award specific. Please see individual award for more information or contact Project BEST at 304-214-9800 if you have specific questions.

When Are Nominations Due?

Nominations are due March 1, 2019 by 11:59 PM EST. No nominations submitted after the deadline will be accepted.

How Do I Submit a Nomination?

Applications can be sent via 1) fax at 304-242-7261, 2) email at projectbest@projectbest.com or 3) mailed to 21 Armory Drive, Wheeling WV 26003

Is Assistance Available to Help Write Nominations?

Yes. Please give us a call or stop by the office if you need help.

What Time Period Does The Nomination Cover?

Unless otherwise stated, all nominations must be for individuals or work done between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

Can I Submit a Nomination For An Individual Outside of The Tri-state Area?

No. Awards are intended to celebrate success of individuals and projects within our region.

Can The Same Person Be Nominated More Than Once?

Yes, as long as they meet listed criteria for each award

Who Decides The Award Winners?

Each nomination will be evaluated in March between by a team made up of 3 to 5 individuals with experience evaluating projects in particular categories. Team members represent all facets of the construction industry. Each team member will evaluate the nomination independently.

What Will The Judges Consider?

The judges will consider any information submitted on the nomination form or attached with the application.

What If I Have More Questions?

Please contact our office at 304-214-9800.

