



# 2024 Visionary Award Application

The Visionary Award honors one outstanding person who is a leading advocate for NAWBO Chicago and regional women business owners. This award will be presented during lunch at “Women Mean Business®” on April 25.

## Award Criteria:

- Applicant has enabled women business owners to achieve their potential.
- Has improved the business climate for women.
- Has fulfilled the potential of their economic and social contributions to the Chicagoland area.
- Award winner must be able to attend the lunch portion of “Women Mean Business®” on April 25.

**Return completed application package via email to [info@nawbochicago.org](mailto:info@nawbochicago.org). Your package should contain:**

- A headshot of nominee, electronic hi-res, print quality JPG (300 ppi at a print size of approximately 8” x 12”).
- Answers to the questions listed below. No more than five (5) pages in total.

## Application Questions

- Applicant Information: Name, Company, Phone and Email.
- Describe how the nominee has been unafraid to help women business owners overcome difficult hurdles and make a difference.
- Describe specific, quantifiable examples of how the nominee has fostered economic growth of women-owned businesses.
- Describe how the nominee shares their vision, leverages resources and mobilized those forces to foster changes that support the growth of women-owned businesses.
- Describe specifically how the nominee is making a difference for NAWBO Chicago.

## Questions For The Nominee – Award Winner’s Answers To Be Published In Program Booklet

- What does your business do (no more than 40 words)?
- Please answer **two** of the following (no more than 75 words each):
  - What has been your biggest lesson in business?
  - What is the best business tip you can share with other women business owners?
  - What is the biggest lesson you have learned from another female entrepreneur?
  - What advice would you give to other female entrepreneurs?
  - What value have you found in women entrepreneurs supporting one another?

**Your completed application package must be submitted:**

**No later than [February 23, 2024](#)**

**To [info@nawbochicago.org](mailto:info@nawbochicago.org)**

Questions? Contact the NAWBO Chicago office at 773.741.4955 or [info@nawbochicago.org](mailto:info@nawbochicago.org).