

# WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL Chamber of Commerce

---

## MEDIA ADVISORY

August 19, 2015

### Call for Nominations for the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Excellence Awards

Windsor, ON – The Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that nominations for the 26th Annual Business Excellence Awards are now open until Friday, October 2, 2015.

Twelve awards will be presented and award winners will be announced on April 27, 2016 at the Business Excellence Awards. This year a new award category will be presented, Pillars of our Community. This award recognizes a registered not-for-profit organization, philanthropic organization, or person that has made an outstanding contribution to the social, cultural or economic well-being of the Greater Windsor-Essex Area. This nominee positively impacted the community, and demonstrated best business practices. In addition their business mission/objective/goals of the organization reflect a community need which has a clearly defined strategic plan.

Other Award Categories include: Small Company of the Year, Mid -Size Company of the Year, Large Company of the Year, International Business Award, New Business of the Year, Innovation Award, Professional of the Year, Entrepreneur of the Year, Young Professional of the Year, and Tourism & Hospitality Award. Also included in the awards ceremony are the recipients of the Believe Windsor Essex and ATHENA Award.

Since 1991, the Business Excellence Awards has become the premier event of the year, recognizing the achievements and contributions of business leaders in Windsor and Essex County. This evening will bring together Windsor and area business leaders and media for a celebration of excellence in business. An independent judging panel comprised of local businesspersons will complete judging of the finalists in each award category.

The BEA Committee is looking for judges and sponsors. If you are interested in volunteering as a judge or wish to find out more about the event, contact Marianne Burke, Director of Events, at [mburke@windsorsexchamber.org](mailto:mburke@windsorsexchamber.org).

-30-

For more information contact:

Lindsey Rivait, Communications Coordinator  
Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce  
[lrivait@windsorsexchamber.org](mailto:lrivait@windsorsexchamber.org)  
(519) 966-3696 ext. 25