**Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce**

**2023 Community Excellence Awards**

 **Nomination Form**







**How does the nominee meet the criteria?** (supporting documents strongly encouraged – newspaper clippings, photos, support letters etc.)

**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS – May 1, 2023** Return completed forms to the Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce 3550 Bridge Street Armstrong BC Fax 250 546 8868 or email to manager@aschamber.com Thank you for your nomination!

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**2023 Community Excellence Awards**

**Categories & Criteria**

**Rising Star Award *Sponsor: Rossworn Henderson LLP***

An outstandingbusiness in operation for less than 2 years and has in the past year:

∙ demonstrated innovative & proactive leadership within their business or industry

∙ demonstrated measurable success as a business and/or as an employer

∙ practiced good corporate citizenship; made exceptional contributions by promoting community betterment

* business shows good potential for future growth
* innovative marketing/promotion

**Micro Business of the Year Award** ***Sponsor:*** ***Vantage One Credit Union***

An outstanding business; a home-based or owner/operator storefront in operation for a minimum of 2 years that, in the past year, has:

∙ demonstrated innovative & proactive leadership within their business or industry

∙ demonstrated measurable success as a business and/or as an employer

∙ practiced good corporate citizenship; made exceptional contributions by promoting community betterment

**Small Business of the Year Award** ***Sponsor: Blackwell Building Movers***

An outstanding business in operation for a minimum of 2 years with 1 - 5 employees in the past year, has:

∙ demonstrated innovative & proactive leadership within their business or industry

∙ demonstrated measurable success as a business and/or as an employer

∙ practiced good corporate citizenship; made exceptional contributions by promoting community betterment

**Mid-Size Business of the Year Award** ***Sponsor: Community Futures North Okanagan***

An outstanding business in operation for a minimum of 2 years with 6 – 15 employees that, in the past year, has:

∙ demonstrated innovative & proactive leadership within their business or industry

∙ demonstrated measurable success as a business and/or as an employer

∙ practiced good corporate citizenship; made exceptional contributions by promoting community betterment

**Corporate Business of the Year Award** ***Sponsor: HUB International Insurance Brokers***

An outstanding business in operation for a minimum of 2 years with 15 or more employees that, in the past year has:

∙ demonstrated innovative & proactive leadership within their business or industry

∙ demonstrated measurable success as a business and/or as an employer

∙ practiced good corporate citizenship; made exceptional contributions by promoting community betterment

**Employee of the Year Award** ***Sponsor: Shepherd’s Home Hardware & Outdoor Living Centre***

An outstanding staff member in a business or organization that, in the past year, has:

∙ demonstrated dedication to their profession

∙ demonstrated excellence in customer service

∙ proven themselves to be an asset to the business or organization

∙ provided support to other employees

**Note**: Employers are encouraged to make nominations for this award

**Revitalization & Innovation Award** ***Sponsor: Hytec – A Kohler Company***

An outstanding business or organization, in operation for a minimum of 2 years

that, in the past year has:

* created, invented or developed an innovative product or process that resulted in significant and measurable increase in revenue or job creation, productivity or quality or reduction in costs
* implemented improvements in technology, management and/or manufacturing processes
* implemented improvement in the ‘curb appeal’ of the business to the betterment of the community

**Hospitality & Tourism Award *Sponsor: Township of Spallumcheen***

An outstanding business or organization that, in the past year, has:

∙ Increased awareness of the Armstrong Spallumcheen area as a destination

* promoted tourism opportunities in the region

∙ exceeded customer expectations in the tourism industry

∙ demonstrated measurable success and ensured sustainability moving forward in the tourism industry

∙ made exceptional contributions by promoting community betterment

∙ been in operation for a minimum of 2 years

**Organization of the Year Award** ***Sponsor: Okanagan Restoration Services Ltd.***

An outstanding non-profit/charitable organization that, in the past year, has:

∙ demonstrated innovative and proactive leadership within the organization or non-profit sector

∙ implemented initiatives that have resulted in significant and measurable outcomes benefiting the overall services of the organization

∙ developed the skills, knowledge and performance of its organization and volunteers

∙ been in operation for a minimum of 2 years

* made exceptional contributions by promoting community betterment

**Citizen of the Year Award *Sponsor: City of Armstrong & Township of Spallumcheen***

An outstanding individual that, has volunteered for the equivalent of 100 hours over the past 24 months and has:

∙ demonstrated support of Armstrong Spallumcheen through volunteer involvement

∙ enhanced the community through volunteering

∙ demonstrated a passion for volunteering that they intend to carry on throughout their life

**Please note:** Nominees do not have to be a member of the Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce; can be a home-based business; must have a valid business license where required; must have a business address within Armstrong and/or Spallumcheen. Businesses may nominate themselves.