

*St. Charles Chamber of Commerce
2010 Business Excellence Awards*



St. Charles
Chamber of Commerce

**Business
Excellence
Awards**

2010

Nomination Form

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The 2010 Business Excellence Awards
Recognizes and honors businesses who have demonstrated exemplary "Best Practices."

I/we would like to nominate the following business, (self-nominations welcome):

BUSINESS _____

CONTACT _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PHONE _____ **Fax** _____

E-MAIL _____

Nominated by:

BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION _____

CONTACT _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PHONE _____ **Fax** _____

E-MAIL _____

CATEGORIES (Choose One)

- Small Business 1-49 Employees** (in business two or more years)
- Large Business with 50 or more Employees** (in business two or more years)
- Professional Services** (in business two or more years)
- Not-for-Profit** (in business two or more years)

Describe your Nominee:

Please state briefly why you would like this company to be considered for this award. Attach a separate page for your description. Your nominee will be sent a separate, follow-up questionnaire requesting additional details about his or her organization.

Please return Nomination Form by September 10, 2010 to:

St. Charles Chamber of Commerce
Business Excellence Awards
3755 E. Main Street, Suite 140
St. Charles, IL 60174

Fax: 630-584-6065

E-mail: amigatz@stcharleschamber.com

If you have any questions, please contact Ann Migatz, St. Charles Chamber of Commerce:
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OBJECTIVE

To recognize and honor businesses who have demonstrated exemplary “Best Practices.”

CRITERIA for Small Business, Large Business and Professional Services

(Description of Professional Services-Attorneys, Accountants, Banking, Insurance Brokerage, Medical offices, etc.)

Any **For-Profit** business that is a St. Charles Chamber member in good standing

- ★ The applicant must be the owner, partner or major shareholder of the business, and active in its day-to-day operations
- ★ Operational for a minimum of two years
- ★ New and innovative business approaches to dealing with your customers
- ★ Outstanding growth
- ★ Special accomplishments
- ★ Business may not have received any of these awards in the last three years

CRITERIA for Not-for-Profit

Any **Not-for-Profit** business that is a St. Charles Chamber member in good standing

- ★ Must be a recognized 501 (C)(3)
- ★ The applicant must be the primary officer of the business, and active in its day-to-day operations
- ★ Operational for a minimum of two years
- ★ New and innovative business approaches to dealing with your clients
- ★ Special accomplishments
- ★ Business may not have received any of these awards in the last three years

CATEGORIES

There will be one award presented to the finalist in each of the following categories:

- ★ **Small Business 1-49 Employees** (in business two or more years)
- ★ **Large Business with 50 or more Employees** (in business two or more years)
- ★ **Professional Services** (in business two or more years)
- ★ **Not-for-Profit** (in business two or more years)

JUDGING ELEMENTS

- ★ Business Growth and Performance
- ★ Sound Business Strategies and Practices
- ★ Customer Service Strategies and Practices
- ★ Unique and Innovative Approaches
- ★ Community Involvement and Contribution

JUDGING PROCESS

- ★ After reviewing all applications, an evaluation team will choose one finalist in each category to continue on in the competition
- ★ Finalists in each category will be announced and receive an award on November 11, 2010 at the Annual Membership Breakfast. The four finalists will then compete for the final award. The winner of the Business Excellence Award will be revealed at the Annual Charlemagne Dinner in February, 2011.

TIMELINE

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| ★ September 10, 2010 | Nominations Due |
| ★ October 9, 2010 | Applications Due |
| ★ November 11, 2010 | Four Finalists Announced (Annual Membership Breakfast) |
| ★ January 19, 2011 | Business Breakfast Showcasing the Four Finalists |
| ★ February 4, 2011 | Charlemagne Dinner (Business Excellence Award Winner Announced) |

PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE

Nominees:

- ★ Highlighted on the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce website.

Finalists:

- ★ Award in their category presented at the Annual Membership Breakfast in November
- ★ Recognition in program at the Annual Charlemagne Dinner
- ★ Highlighted on the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce website as Finalist
- ★ Special Business Breakfast Showcasing the Four Finalists in January

Business Excellence Award Winner:

- ★ One complimentary expo booth at the Rolling Down the River Expo
- ★ Business Excellence Award to display in your place of business
- ★ Business Excellence Traveling Trophy
- ★ Listed in the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce office on a perpetual plaque
- ★ Highlighted on the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce website as Award Winner
- ★ Write up listed in the March Newsletter