

2026 Made for Rockford Award Official Nomination Form



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The Made for Rockford Impact Award is a new recognition presented by GoRockford in partnership with the GRCC, celebrating individuals who have chosen to plant roots in the Rockford Region and are making a meaningful impact. This award will honor an individual who has moved to the region within the past five years and has contributed to the betterment of our community—through leadership, service, or innovation.

Please return completed nominations by the end of the day on **Friday, June 5, 2026**, to:

nominations@rockfordchamber.com

Honoree will be announced in conjunction with the GRCC's Annual Dinner
Thursday, August 13, 2026 at Hard Rock Casino.

All Annual Dinner attendees, including those nominated for Made for Rockford Impact Award, will need to have purchased an event ticket. Information regarding the Annual Dinner as well as event registration available at rockfordchamber.com.

Nominee Information:

Name: _____

Business/Organization: _____ Title: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Approximately how long has this nominee lived in the Rockford Region? _____

Nominator Information:

Name: _____

Business/Organization: _____ Title: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Required Essay Response - *Suggested word count – 1500-2000 words.*

Please describe how this individual exemplifies what it means to be Made for Rockford. Include specific examples of how they bring energy, creativity, and a sense of community pride to their work or involvement. What makes their contributions stand out in a fresh, authentic way? Letters of recommendation recommended, but not required.