



The Rockford Chamber of Commerce 2021 Manufacturer of the Year Award

Nomination Process

The Rockford Chamber of Commerce Manufacturer of the Year Award is presented annually to recognize an outstanding manufacturing company that has used technology to remain competitive and grow. Candidates must be members of the Rockford Chamber of Commerce and may be self-nominated, if desired. The award will be presented at the Chamber's Celebration of Manufacturing Expo & Dinner scheduled for Thursday, December 9, 2021, at Embassy Suites by Hilton Rockford Riverfront & Rockford Conference Center.

All entries should include:

- 1) A written submission that addresses the three key criteria detailed below.
- 2) Include any additional information you believe is significant, relevant and supports the nominee (letters of support are welcomed).

Key Criteria

- 1. Growth-** List the accomplishments that contributed to above average growth.
- 2. Innovation-** List the accomplishments that contributed to innovation in your marketplace, including new products or services.
- 3. Productivity-** List the facility's accomplishments that contributed to above average results. Explain the tools which were used and the end results.

The Judging Process

The entry and judging process are carefully designed to capture the personal insights, ideas, experiences, and achievements responsible for the success of each individual entrant.

As with any prestigious and highly respected awards program, the judging process is rigorous and thorough, with a panel of eminent businesspeople evaluating each entrant on the three key criteria.

The Judging Criteria

Leadership
Teamwork
Innovation and Creativity

**Please return submission by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 to:
nominations@rockfordchamber.com or**

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