



2019 Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce Installation & Awards Criteria

DESCRIPTION:

The Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce is proud to recognize the very best in the Pittsburg Business Community at the annual Installation & Awards Luncheon. The Chamber knows firsthand that our businesses, big and small, are the backbone of a thriving Pittsburg Community. The Chamber's Installation Awards recognizes the achievements of Businesses of the Year, as well as Outstanding Individuals of the Year.

Join us for the Installation & Awards Luncheon on Friday, March 1, 2019 from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm at the Elk's Lodge, 200 Marina Blvd, Pittsburg. Together at the luncheon, we will enjoy an onstage award presentations for the Businesses of the Year winners, recognize outstanding people in our community, and acknowledge our past dedicated Pittsburg Chamber Board of Directors.

Your participation is needed to nominate businesses and individuals for an award. The 2019 Installation & Awards Luncheon will honor the achievements of the Businesses of the Year: Big Business of the Year (26+ employees); Small Business of the Year (1-25 employees); Non-Profit of the Year; and Eco Business of the Year. In addition, we'll honor Individuals of the Year: Educator of the Year, Veteran of the Year, and First Responder of the Year. *Anyone can submit a nomination.* A committee of respected business owners, community leaders, and knowledgeable volunteers will vote. Final selections for the 2019 Honorees will be voted on by the Executive Committee of the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce.

The company representatives and winners (plus one guest) will be requested to attend the March 1, 2019 Installation & Awards Luncheon where they will be recognized and honored for their contributions to the community.

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR CATEGORIES & CRITERIA:

Big Business of the Year (26+ Employees)

- *Must be an active member of the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce.*
- *Must be active in the community and in the Chamber.*
- *Demonstrates ethical leadership and respected corporate stewardship.*
- *Substantiated history as an established business including, but not limited to: number of years in business, local job creation, sustained expansion, growth in square footage, and/or growth in net worth.*

Small Business of the Year (1-25 Employees)

- *Must be an active member of the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce.*
- *Must be active in the community and in the Chamber.*
- *Must have 25 employees or under.*
- *Demonstrates excellence in business practices, customer service, and community involvement.*

Non-Profit of the Year

- *Organization makes a significant impact that improves the economic, medical, educational or financial health of individuals in our community; impacts people through enabling and empowering individuals to improve their knowledge and skills toward greater quality of life; benefits the underserved, underrepresented or disaffected members of the community, including children, seniors and those in poverty; and has high quality treatment of employees and members of the public.*
- *Recognized leadership with a reputation for excellence within the nonprofit communities, as well as with the public at large.*
- *High ethical standards and compliance with generally accepted standards for management and public disclosure.*

Eco-Business of the Year

- *Organizations that a conscious efforts toward being a green business, meaning businesses that have practices in at least one area of: environmental protections, engage in resource recovery efforts, exercise pollution prevention, and have a culture/practice of recycling and reuse.*
- *Demonstrates excellence in business practices, customer service, and community involvement.*
- *High ethical standards and compliance with generally accepted standards for management and public disclosure.*

OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL OF THE YEAR CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA:

Educator of the Year

- *Be a full-time, certified, in good standing, Pre K-12 teacher in a state-accredited public school at each stage of the recognition process (local, regional, grand division, state and national levels).*
- *Spend the majority of the school day in direct instruction to students.*
- *Be in at least the fifth year of teaching in Pittsburg public schools.*
- *Have a track record of exceptional gains in student learning.*
- *Have a broad understanding of research-based models for effective teaching and of current trends and issues in education.*
- *Be able to explain, discuss and defend a personal philosophy of teaching.*
- *Be recognized as leaders in the community as well as in the school.*
- *Inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn.*
- *Have the respect and admiration of students, parents and colleagues.*

Veterans of the Year

- *Veteran must have made a significant difference in their communities by promoting a sense of duty, volunteerism and an appreciation of country, democracy, and freedom.*
- *Veteran must have been honorably discharged from active duty or retired from any United States of America branch of military service. Nominees for this award may still be active in Reserve or National Guard units.*
- *Veteran must possess a DD214 and include a copy with their application.*
- *Nominees must be living in the City of Pittsburg at the time of their nomination.*

First Responder of the Year

- *First Responder must have made a significant difference in their communities by promoting a sense of duty, sense of community, and an appreciation of country, democracy, and freedom.*
- *Nominees must be living in the City of Pittsburg at the time of their nomination.*

COMPLETE THE NOMINATION FORM AND SUBMIT IT BY NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019 BY 12 pm (NOON) TO:

**INSTALLATION AWARDS
PITTSBURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
985 RAILROAD AVE
PITTSBURG, CA 94565**

– OR – via email to:

CHAMBER@MYPITTSBURGCHAMBER.ORG.

To purchase tickets to the Installation & Awards Luncheon visit www.mypittsburgchamber.org.

If you have any questions, please call the Chamber at 925-432-7301. We look forward to seeing you there.