

# **Business Excellence Award Criteria**

## All nominees should:

- Exemplify the highest standards of their profession
- Demonstrate excellence and success in their business or profession
- Promote diversity, equality and inclusiveness in their workplace and/or professional capacity
- Model commitment to sustainability in daily business practices
- Demonstrate leadership in the community; engage in significant volunteer activities and be a positive GLBT or Ally role model for others
- Visibly support the GLBT community through contributions to service organizations or other community-wide causes

#### **Member Service Award**

- The Member Service Award honors an outstanding volunteer for their contribution of time & service to the Chamber.
- Must be an active GLBT Chamber member for at least one calendar year.

#### **Business of the Year**

Must be an active GLBT Chamber member for at least one calendar year at the time of nomination. 1. Business Excellence

- Uses creativity and ingenuity to achieve business growth.
- Promotes employee development and diversity.
- $\circ$   $\;$  Has demonstrated a high level of customer satisfaction and service.
- 2. Community Service
- Has proven an interest in the welfare of the community through financial contributions, business service and/or involvement/leadership.

#### **Extra Mile Community Service Award** (Sponsored by American Airlines)

• An individual, business, or organization (business or agency) that has provided outstanding service to the GLBT community.

### **Emerging Leader Award**

- A GLBT or allied individual between the ages of 21 and 39.
- Active participant in the North Texas GLBT community.
- History of service to the GLBT community (may be a volunteer or employee).

### Supplier Diversity Champion

- The award honors an outstanding individual or firm for their leadership in expanding purchasing opportunities for diverse and small businesses, with an emphasis on LGBT Business Enterprises.
- The Supplier Diversity Champion works to create positive change and demonstrates measurable increased opportunities for LGBT Business Enterprises.
- Award nominees include supplier diversity and procurement professionals as well as representatives of certified LGBT Business Enterprises.
- The Supplier Diversity Champion must have been an active member of the North Texas GLBT Chamber member for at least one calendar year at the time of nomination.

#### Corporate Ally Award<sup>i</sup>

- A major employer located in the North Texas area.
- Proven track record of outstanding support for its GLBT employees and the greater GLBT community through diversity policies and actions, financial contributions, service, and leadership.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> Corporate Ally Award Nominees will be asked to complete the Corporate Ally Questionnaire.