

16TH SURREY BOARD OF TRADE

Surrey Women in Business Awards

Nomination Deadline: Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Event: March 2025



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AWARDS

Nominee Information:

Name: _____

Nominee Company: _____

Company Address: _____, BC Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Job Title: _____ Website: _____

Nominated by (if applicable): _____ Phone/Email: _____

A. Category

NOTE: Please choose one category per nominee.

Nominations for multiple women at one organization WILL be accepted!

The Surrey Board of Trade reserves the right to move a nomination into another category.

Previous winners of the award may not be nominated again for a period of 3 years.

Anyone that self identifies as a woman is welcome to apply.

1. **Entrepreneur (small business):** Is an owner or significant shareholder of any business with up to 20 employees
2. **Entrepreneur (large business):** Is an owner or significant shareholder of any business with 21 or more employees
3. **Corporate Leader:** Holds a senior/executive level position in a public or private-owned business
4. **Professional:** Nominees have a professional designation, i.e. accountant, notary, lawyer, engineer. Include the nominee's designation with a brief explanation.
5. **Not-for-Profit Leader:** Nominee holds a paid position as CEO, Executive Director or Manager
6. **Emerging Leader:** This award identifies future leaders known for their innovative, meaningful contributions to the improvement of their profession and the efficiency of their workplace. Nominees in this category may hold entry to mid-level management positions.
7. **Social Trailblazer:** A founder or leader of an organization, initiative, or project that makes a significant social, economic, or environmental impact.

B. Criteria

Nominees may or may not own their own business.

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| 1. Work in Surrey or White Rock | 5. ONE reference letter must be included |
| 2. Leadership skills | 6. Must be either a Surrey or White Rock based business or a member of the Surrey Board of Trade or South Surrey & White Rock Chamber of Commerce |
| 3. Proven business acumen | |
| 4. Community involvement | |

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C. Questions

All questions must be answered for application to be considered by judges. Please use this form as a guideline when completing questions.

Working in Surrey or White Rock

1. Is the Nominee (select all that apply):
 - A) An owner
 - B) A manager
 - C) An expert in her field
 - D) An innovative leader
2. Work experience and number of employees:
 - A) Number of years experience
 - B) Number of staff, if any, or number of staff reporting to nominee (please include volunteers, contractors, etc., if applicable)

Leadership

3. Describe the nominee's business or field of expertise. (150 words)
4. What is it about the nominee that makes her a role model for other women in business?
5. How does the nominee define personal success?

Business Acumen

6. Describe the nominee's qualifications, experience and how they have contributed to the effectiveness of her business. (Include a list of certificates, diploma's, degrees, designations)
7. Describe what influences determined the nominee's choice of career/ownership.
 - A) Recognizing the demand for products and / or services
 - B) Discovering a niche market
 - C) Talent, skill or interest
 - D) Other
8. How has the nominee shown innovation?

Community Involvement and Service

9. Has the nominee brought innovative ideas to the marketplace and/or received any special recognition(s) from the business community?
10. Has the nominee served in the past, or is presently a member of any community organization or business association? What have been her contributions to the community?

I, _____, the nominee, have reviewed this nomination form and am aware that some information may be used in the promotion of the 2025 Surrey Women in Business Awards.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Notes: Supporting documents – 5-page limit
** Helpful Hint: a resume is recommended, but not required!*
Please send a photo (head shot) with your nomination
** Helpful Hint: this photo should be high resolution (300dpi or higher), emailed as an attachment!*

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