

## **General Criteria-2016 Existing Industry Awards**

Event Date-Thursday, October 13, 2016 at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa

With the exception of the Community Partner and the President's awards, company must be a **Primary Company**. Target nominees are those in the EDAWN Strategic Plan Target Industries, however all **primary** companies that are nominated will be considered.

**Primary Company** is a private sector company in Washoe County, Storey County or Fernley where the majority of the company's revenue (>50%) is generated from outside the State of Nevada.

Small is defined as a primary employer with less than 50 employees worldwide, and Large is defined as a primary employer with 51 employees or greater.

- Descriptions of qualifications are required for all categories
- Nomination process: Nominations will be accepted from individuals, companies, community partners and the nominating committee. The nomination form must be completed in full and submitted by the applicable deadline of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Entries received after closing date will not be entered into the awards. For third party nominations, EDAWN will request supporting documentation from the company to complete the nomination process. Nomination forms will be posted on the EDAWN website in order to be submitted electronically. Company logos and a one line description for use in the event program will be requested for all nominees in addition to the category specific description of qualifications. If your nomination cannot be submitted electronically, or if you experience difficulties, please contact Cynthia Egan at 775-829-3712 or [egan@edawn.org](mailto:egan@edawn.org) to make alternate arrangements.
- Event will be publicized via the EDAWN Executive Update, press releases, and social media, and will be added to print media calendars.
- This event is administered by EDAWN.

- The time frames for all categories with the exception of the Corporate Citizen Award are January 4, 2016 through the nomination deadline. Company must have been operating as of January 4, 2016. The timeframe for the Corporate Citizen Award is the previous full year of contributions (calendar year 2015.)
- The judges' decisions are final and binding. Company may only receive one award in any given year. Companies may be nominated in multiple categories. If you believe your company or the company you have nominated stands out in multiple categories, please nominate the company for Company of the Year and provide corresponding documentation. Company may not receive an award **in the same category** within a 5 year period.
- The winners agree to take part and assist with any promotional activities or public relations activities in support of the awards. The winners agree to send a representative to receive the award in person at the event on October 13, 2016, at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa from 5:00 p.m. -7:30 p.m. Local dignitaries will also be on hand to recognize winners and professional photographs will be provided free of charge.
- Winners will be announced the evening of the event.
- The judges reserve the right to reallocate an entry to a different category.