2015 Large, Small, and Home-Based Business of the Year Nomination Form

The nominations and awards are open to Chamber members who have been a member in good standing for a minimum of one year. Additionally, if a business has been awarded Business of the Year in the past 5 years, then that business is not eligible to be considered.

All nominees who wish to compete for the awards must complete a nomination form. Awards will be given to the winners at the Chambers Annual Awards Gala.

- Large Business of the Year
- ➤ 16 employees or more (full time equivalent)
 - Small Business of the Year
- > 15 employees or fewer (full time equivalent)
 - Home-Based Business of the Year
- No more than 3 employees (full time equivalent)

Each of the finalists will have their businesses featured in the Sierra Vista Herald, the Chamber website, and will also receive recognition via the Vista newsletter, Facebook and the weekly email blast. Winners will be announced at the Awards Dinner on April 24th. The nomination deadline is Friday, March 6, and voting will run from March 16-27. For more information call 520-458-6940.

Business Name: Mr. Fix It of Sierra Vista, LLC Nomination Category: Small Business of the Year

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CRITERIA:

- **Exhibit** good business practices
- ❖ Demonstrate quality of service
- * Contribute to local economy & growth
- * Show community support and involvement
- Provide an overall positive impact in the community

Using the above criteria please explain why this business deserves to win business of the year in its category.

First and foremost, the Mr. Fix It team is truly grateful to be nominated as Sierra Vista's Small Business of the Year. Mr. Fix It of Sierra Vista, LLC deserves to be chosen as Small Business of the Year for 2015 because we meet all the above listed criteria and more. We consciously strive to be an active community participant and to offer support to those in our wonderful city.

To begin, Mr. Fix It exhibits good business practices by being a licensed, bonded, and insured contractor. We are registered with the Arizona Registrar of Contractors and hold multiple restoration

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certifications from The Clean Trust (IICRC). We also have an A+ rating with the Better Business Bureau. Mr. Fix It's service is of the highest quality. All of our customers and subcontractors are treated with the highest respect and consideration. Mr. Fix It's staff is respectful of our customer's homes and belongings, and customers often trust us enough to allow us to work on their homes while they are out of the house. Mr. Fix It offers free estimates to our customers, as well as military and senior discounts to make sure that everyone knows how much we value their patronage. In addition, we honor a two year labor warranty and strive to fix any problems that may occur immediately.

Mr. Fix It further exhibits good business practices by taking care of our loyal team members. Each month, Mr. Fix It names an Employee of the Month who is celebrated during a staff meeting. The Employee of the Month receives a gift card, and is often awarded a raise for their hard work. Mr. Fix It also awards one or two exceptional team members as Employee of the Year each December. This team member receives their recognition in front of all of our friends, family, and coworkers at our annual Christmas party and is awarded a gift card. Team members are also given an end of the year bonus. Mr. Fix It recently began celebrating staff birthdays at our monthly staff meetings with birthday cake and a gift. To further support our staff, Mr. Fix It provides a scholarship opportunity to any team member that is continuing their education.

Secondly, Mr. Fix It contributes to the local economy and growth constantly. We work on a near daily basis with several dozen local small businesses, including Sierra Vista Builder's Supply, Sierra Vista Realty, New Mountain Plumbing, and Nation's Floor Covering, to name just a few. We also work to remodel and renovate commercial business buildings around town, including one we recently finished for Aztec Welding Supply in the old Mountain View Car Wash building. Mr. Fix It has been growing as well, as we moved into a new office in late 2014, which we fully renovated ourselves. This larger space has provided us the opportunity to add four work vehicles to our fleet of fifteen. We have also contributed to our local economy by expanding our staff, which has grown by five members in the past year alone. We are constantly hiring even more team members to expand our growing business. Mr. Fix It has recently partnered with Cochise Community College to begin hiring construction interns within the year.

Additionally, Mr. Fix It shows community support and involvement in a variety of ways. We are an Executive Club Member of the Sierra Vista Area Chamber of Commerce, and participate in several

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events throughout the year, including the Home and Business Expo, and more recently the Annual Membership Meeting. Mr. Fix It will also be hosting the Business at Twilight event this December. Mr. Fix It is an affiliate member of the Southeastern Arizona Association of Realtors, and participates in all major events with the Association, as well as sponsors between two and four of their meetings each year. We are a member of the Southeastern Arizona Contractors Association (SACA) as well. Mr. Fix It's owner, Bill Goethe, is an active member of the Sierra Vista Executives Association and is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Fix It further supports our community by participating in countless sponsorship opportunities each year. These include, but are not limited to the sponsorship of the Boys and Girls Club's Kars for Kids car show, the Chrome Pony Rally, and the Cochise County Sherriff's Charity Ride. We also donated to Sierra Vista's Volunteer Interfaith Caregiver Program. In addition, Mr. Fix It donated money and gifts to foster children through Catholic Community Services in December of 2013, 2014, and plans to do so again this coming December. Furthermore, Mr. Fix It donated to the Sierra Vista Woman's Club's "A Woman for all Seasons" fashion show fundraiser. Additionally, we donated to and participated in Habitat for Humanity's Build a Home Golf Tournament. As we have done for several years, we continued our financial support of the City of Sierra Vista's Easter Eggstravaganza.

Overall, Mr. Fix It provides a positive impact in the community by being actively involved and caring about what goes on around our town. We treat our staff members, customers, subcontractors, and neighbors with respect and kindness. We offer the best service in Cochise County in our field, and stand by all our work. Our business began in 2009, with just one man and one truck and has blossomed into a hugely successful company that will continue to grow, provide jobs, and better the community in Sierra Vista for years to come. Mr. Fix It of Sierra Vista is so proud to be in this great community, and we are truly blessed to be nominated for Small Business of the Year.

Attach additional pages if necessary.

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