



INDUSTRY APPRECIATION AWARDS Criteria 2018

ARCHITECTURAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

A Certificate of Completion or a **Final** Certificate of Occupancy issued between 8/1/2017 and 7/31/2018

New Commercial Building or New Commercial Project

A “project” is considered more than one building within the same plan, or one building with multiple tenants. Voting Committee members consider:

- Exterior aesthetics
- Layout/design
- Impact on immediate area, how it fits or improves the area
- Landscaping – retain or improve natural environment, enhancement of project, draught tolerant, xeriscape, tree relocation
- Unique features – energy efficient, eco-friendly, solar power

New Residential Development - Single Family/Multi-Family criteria

Single-Family developments will have approximately 30% of the homes completed by 7/31/18 to be eligible. A single, free-standing home is not eligible. Also considered:

- Exterior aesthetics
- Layout/design
- Impact on immediate area; does it fit or improve the area?
- Landscaping – retain or improve natural environment, enhancement of project, draught tolerant, xeriscape, tree relocation
- Unique features – energy efficient, eco-friendly, solar power

Redevelopment/Remodeling criteria

The interior improvements of a project will be considered if there are *substantial* structural improvements made to the exterior. Voting Committee members will also consider:

- Aesthetics
- Layout/design
- Impact on immediate area; does it fit or improve the area?
- Unique features – energy efficient, eco-friendly, solar power

Restoration/Renovation criteria

The interior improvements of a project will be considered if there are *substantial* structural improvements made to the exterior. Voting Committee members will also consider:

- Aesthetics
- Layout/design
- Impact on immediate area; does it fit or improve the area?
- Unique features – energy efficient, eco-friendly, solar power
- Does it significantly improve the original building/project or preserve the historic integrity?

MANUFACTURER OF THE YEAR CRITERIA

Small/large

- Growth of company in its industry
- Long-term prospects in the market
- Value-added company with a majority of sales outside the region
- Quality of jobs - full time, benefits, at or above the county's average annual wage
- Economic impact on community - payroll, taxes, utility, purchases within community
- Community involvement

MINORITY BUSINESS OF THE YEAR CRITERIA

- Majority owner must be a Minority Business Enterprise (as defined by *FL Statute*: members of an insular group that are of a particular racial, ethnic, or gender makeup or national origin)
- Economic impact from taxes, payroll
- Contributions, purchases within community; success of company in its industry
- Community involvement
- Employee work environment
- Contribution to county's quality of life

ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR

Recognize the ingenuity, initiative and risk taken by local entrepreneurs and their contribution to the local economy. Voting Committee members will also consider:

- In business in Indian River County for 5 years or less
- Contribution to the community
- Distinctiveness of the company's product(s) or service
- Company growth
- Challenges in launching the company
- Corporate citizenship

COMPANY OF THE YEAR CRITERIA

Small/medium/large

- Headquartered in Indian River County
- Economic impact from taxes, payroll; company contributions
- Purchases within community
- Success of company in its industry
- Community involvement
- Employee work environment
- Contribution to county's quality of life.

Questions? Please call Helene Caseltine, Economic Development Director with the Indian River County Chamber of Commerce; phone: 772-567-3491