



Excellence in Carson Awards

The Board of Directors of the Carson Chamber of Commerce is delighted to announce the Inaugural Carson Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Carson Business Awards. We will be honoring businesses for outstanding contributions to the economic health and quality of life in Carson.

Nominations can be made for the following categories:

Business of the Year:

Nominee must be in business for **at least** five (5) years and must have demonstrated one or more of the following characteristics:

- Exceptional growth through additional creation of jobs
- Has achieved success through diversification into new products or markets
- Provides an atmosphere which gives their employees opportunities for growth
- Demonstrates innovative communications and marketing campaigns
- Demonstrates civic leadership through the giving of time, talent and resources to the betterment of Carson

New Business of the Year:

Nominee must be in business for **less than** five (5) years and must have demonstrated one or more of the following characteristics:

- Demonstrates a strong potential for future growth and sustainability
- Innovative products or services
- Evidence of recognizing and acting upon a new market opportunity
- Active in the Carson Community outside of regular business obligations

Not for Profit Organization of the Year

Nominee must be a registered Not for Profit Organization and must have demonstrated one or more of the following characteristics:

- Broadened education of their service
- Demonstrated creativity and innovation in meeting the needs of the Carson community
- Promotes Volunteerism
- Demonstrated the organization's growth and stability
- Clear evidence and examples of making a positive and worthwhile impact on society, individuals and/or the environment.

Woman Owned Business of the Year:

Nominee must be 51% Woman-owned and operated and have demonstrated the following characteristics:

- Provides exemplary customer service
- Demonstrates multiple women currently working in the business
- Demonstrates significant growth and innovation in the company's market sector
- Demonstrates performance that makes the business stand out from its competitors
- Demonstrates civic leadership through the giving of time, talent and resources to the betterment of Carson

Employer of the Year:

Nominee is an employer who has demonstrated the following characteristics with regards to the treatment of their employees:

- Consistently provides a positive work environment for all employees while maintaining, and even exceeding, employment standards and safety policies
- Provides benefits for health and wellness
- Provides training, professional development and job creation as well as recognition and awards for exemplary employees
- Impacts the community through social services and added value by making Carson a better place to work

Criteria & Rules:

- Non-Chamber Members with an active business located in Carson are eligible
- Chamber Members within Carson and surrounding areas are eligible
- You may nominate more than one business including yourself
- Businesses that meet the award requirements are encouraged to apply directly for the award
- Businesses should not be nominated in more than one category and will be judged in the most appropriate category
- A minimum of two (2) letters of support must be included with the nomination
- Nominations must be received at the Chamber office by 4:00pm Monday, December 1, 2025.

Excellence in Carson nominees will be reviewed and voted on by a selection committee.

Award recipients will be recognized at a reception in January 2026.



2026 Excellence in Carson Awards Nomination Form

AWARD CATEGORY:

☐ Business of the Year

☐ Woman-Owned Business of the Year

☐ New Business of the Year

☐ Employer of the Year

☐ Not for Profit Organization of the Year

NOMINEE:

Company Name: _____

Company Contact (Name & Title): _____

Business Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Web Address (URL): _____

Year Business Established: _____

NOMINATOR:

Name _____

Company/Oranization _____

Email _____

Directions: Please return this Nomination Form with 2 letters of support and a brief essay describing how the business meets the criteria of the award category they are nominated for to the Carson Chamber of Commerce 530 E Del Amo Blvd., Carson, CA 90746 or email to leah@carsonchamber.com Call (310) 217-4590 with any questions

Submission Deadline December 1, 2025 4:00 pm