



About

The Manufacturing & Industry Excellence Awards are a celebration of all that's wonderful about manufacturing in greater Oshkosh. These awards applaud unique products manufactured in our area, the ambition to be innovative and the dedication of industry professionals. We can't wait to highlight the greater Oshkosh area and its diverse manufacturing industries. The awards will be presented at the Manufacturing & Industry Excellence Event on Thursday, October 19th, 2017 at Beckets.

Awards

Made in Oshkosh Award

This award will identify, honor & highlight an exceptional product manufactured by a company located in greater Oshkosh. Over the last few years, our team has learned about some amazing products manufactured in Oshkosh that many people might not even be aware of. We want to shed some light and share with the community all the awesomeness that is manufactured right in our own backyard. Any product, from any corner of the community can be nominated. Please provide the following in a summary not to exceed one-page **by 5:00 PM on Friday, September 22nd**:

- Description of the product
- How it's made and what it's used for
- Current or potential customers
- Unique attributes
- Images and/or video of the product (as an attachment)

Three finalists will be selected from the nominations received for an online community-wide vote that will run from September 29th – October 13th. Finalists will be selected based off the following criteria:

- Uniqueness
- Use
- How it's made

Innovation Award

This award will be presented to a company that exhibits innovation through one or more of the following:

- New product development
- Increased productivity
- Production quality
- Talent development

Nominees must have great ideas for growing business, dramatically improving performance and addressing some of the toughest challenges in today's manufacturing industry. Please give specific examples of recently developed products, increased production rates, improved production quality and/or developing top talent in a summary not to exceed one-page by **5:00 PM on Friday, September 29th**.

Award winner will be selected based off the following criteria:

- Efficiency
- Productivity
- Creativity

Difference Maker Award

This award will be presented to an individual whose vision, hard work and dedication have resulted in a profound and lasting impact on the manufacturing industry in greater Oshkosh. The award not only recognizes service to the manufacturing industry but also honors an individual's character and the impact they have made. Any individual at any level of the company can be nominated. Please provide the following in a summary not to exceed one-page by **5:00 PM on Friday, September 29th**:

- Description of the individual, including past and current roles
- Examples of contributions made to the industry
- Community-involvement

Award winner will be selected based off the following criteria:

- Impact
- Character
- Commitment

Evaluation

Nominations received for the *Innovation* and *Difference Maker Awards* will be reviewed and evaluated by a professional panel of regional manufacturing and economic development partners. Submissions for the *Made in Oshkosh Award* will be reviewed by the panel and three nominees will be selected for an online community-wide vote to determine a winner. Award winners will be announced on Thursday, October 19th at Becket's.

Submission

Please direct questions and send nomination materials to:

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