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#### NOMINEES ANNOUNCED FOR DEC. 4 AUBURN HILLS CHAMBER of COMMERCE SILVER & GOLD AWARDS

Auburn Hills, MI – Congratulations to the following outstanding Auburn Hills Chamber of Commerce Silver & Gold Award nominees. On Thursday, December 4, 2025, the Auburn Hills Chamber of Commerce will recognize individuals and companies for their achievements and reveal the winners at the annual Silver & Gold Awards from 9:00 am – 12:00pm. The program honors business leaders and companies in the areas of innovation, leadership, and community involvement. It also recognizes volunteers and supporters of the Auburn Hills Chamber.

# Auburn Hills Chamber and Special Recognition Awards recognizing volunteer leaders include:

Ambassador of the Year
Board Member of the Year
Outgoing Board of Director
Outgoing Committee Chair
TASTE of Auburn Hills Vendor of the Year (hosted by M1 Concourse)
Mayor's Award

**Silver & Gold Awards** recognize individuals and companies who represent "sterling" qualities of excellence and leadership including:

## Andrews Hooper Pavlik PLC Woman's Leadership Award

This award recognizes a woman who exemplifies a strong commitment to personal, community and professional development.

Nominees Include: JoJo Dries – On The Wings of Angels, Jaclyn Fortier – Central Michigan University, Flavia Ghirardello – ABB Robotics, Sharna Hatcher – Rotary International, Marcie Lemieux – Umicore Autocat USA Inc., Kim Staudacher – Dutton Farm, Jaime White – Havenwyck Hospital, Cuma Williams – GLOBAL Automation Technologies LLC

## **Atlas Copco Excellence Award**

Awards the company that not only meets industry standards but has clearly gone above and beyond to improve their company and industry expectations.

**Nominees Include:** Genisys Credit Union, GRIT Technologies, IEE Smart Sensing, New Horizons, Yeo & Yeo CPAs & Advisors

## **Auxiom Golden SMB Award**

This award recognizes a small or medium size business that exemplifies "The Golden Rule" - treat others as you want to be treated.

**Nominees Include:** Crossroads Care Center, GLOBAL Automation Technologies LLC, MCM Staffing, LLC., Nothing Bundt Cakes, Oakland Hills Dermatology, Tell Studios

## City of Auburn Hills Business Success Story Award

This award is given to a company large or small, that has made significant strides within their business. This award also recognizes the outstanding commitment to a company's employees, its mission, and overall achievements within an organization.

Nominees Include: Clever Fox Cyclery, Designhaus LLC, SMH Logistics

## **DBusiness Magazine Emerging Leader Award**

This award is presented to the individual who stands out as a leader among peers 35 and younger.

**Nominees Include:** Cheyenne Anders – M1 Concourse, Jordan Arocha - Munro & Associates, Justin Harnack – The Marketing Shop, Samantha Micciche – Express Employment Professionals, Paul Moceri – Moceri Management, Robert Regan - Atlas Copco Tools & Assembly Systems

## **Detroit Pistons Game Changer Award**

This award recognizes an individual who is changing the way business is done or making a significant contribution to our community.

**Nominees Include:** Christofer Buatti – Oakland Hills Dermatology, Rick Catron – GRIT Technologies, Kaid Cousineau - Air Products and Controls Inc, Amy Ever – A Courageous Voice, Steve Flores – Cornerstone Community Financial Credit Union, Molly Reeser – Camp Casey, David L. Stone – Trion Solutions

#### **FANUC Innovative Educator Award**

Celebrating educators dedicated to building industry-approved, certificate-based mechatronics programs that teach students the appeal of automation and open their minds to a wide variety of fulfilling, sought-after careers in advanced manufacturing.

**Nominees Include:** Dr. Jun Chen – Oakland University, Dr. James Mynderse – Lawrence Technological University, Andrew Watchorn – Kettering University

#### **Genisys Credit Union CU Kind Award**

Recognizes a company that cares for our community and harnesses the collective power of kindness to create a positive change.

Nominees Include: ABB Robotics, Consumers Energy, On The Wings of Angels, Stellantis

### **JADE Strategies Transformational Leadership Award**

Presented to a company with proven success in advancing leadership development initiatives that enhance collaboration, innovation, and measurable results.

Nominees Include: BorgWarner, Havenwyck Hospital, Oakland Community College

### MSUFCU / Oakland University Credit Union Financial Wellness Award

Presented to a company with a successful financial wellness program providing access and support to the financial wellness of their employees.

Nominees Include: General Motors, Oakland County, Volkswagen Group of America

### Oakland University Innovator of the Year Award

This award is presented to the company with an impressive innovation story.

**Nominees Include:** Ancor, Cornerstone Community Financial Credit Union, FANUC, FEV, GLOBAL Automation Technologies LLC, IEE Smart Sensing, Inbound 281, KaltzCoulombe Pllc

## **Ogletree Deakins Human Resources Vanguard Award**

Presented to the company that takes on a human resource challenge in a creative and innovative way given the increased competition for talent, the complex regulatory environment, and our litigious society.

Nominees Include: Elliott Woodworking, Oakland HOPE, Rebel Nell

## Palazzo di Bocce Coaching Champions Award

Honors a coach who exemplifies commitment to inspire, mentor, and lead, driving lasting positive change in their organization or community.

**Nominees Include:** Jonathan deSanctis – Oakland Thrive, Chris Drouin - Sandler by EAM Consulting, Greg Russell - Chick Fil A Auburn Hills

# **Plante Moran Caring Culture Award**

Presented to a company who demonstrates a culture of caring for their people, customers, and community.

Nominees Include: Anderson Medical Supplies, AUCH Construction, Chick-fil-A Auburn Hills, Cornerstone Community Financial Credit Union, Crossroads Care Center, Havenwyck Hospital, Marsh McLennan Agency, Oakland HOPE, RedE Parts, Inc., Stellantis

### Stella Wealth Management of Raymond James Higher Standard Award

This award is presented to the individual that has shown high standards in business acumen and service.

Nominees Include: Dylan Bladecki – GLOBAL Automation Technologies, Kirbionne Brackins – Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Mike Cruz - Breaking the Cycle with Books, Paul Dries - Edward Jones Investments, Jaclyn Fortier - Central Michigan University, Nancy Schubring – IEE Sensing, Catherine Toone - Stalt Financial

## **Trion Solutions Always Rely on Award**

An entrepreneurial business that produces products and/or services known for consistently high quality and reliability.

Nominees Include: Allow Nourishment, Concraft, Identity Creative

For more information on upcoming events, visit <u>www.auburnhillschamber.com</u> or call 248-853-7862. The Auburn Hills Chamber of Commerce is where business, educational, cultural, and civic leaders collaborate to connect a world-class business community. The Chamber represents more than 500 companies including 95,000+ employees, and is focused on networking, leadership, education, community support, and workforce development programming which supports the business needs of the local area.