

OVF AWARDS

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SOLICITATION FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS & APPLICATIONS

Venture of the Year Award
Most Promising New Venture Award
Economic Impact Award

CRITERIA SELECTION INCLUDE:

INNOVATION
GROWTH
PROFITABILITY
QUALITY MANAGEMENT
ECONOMIC IMPACT
INDUSTRY/COMMUNITY REPUTATION

The Oklahoma Venture Forum Venture of the Year, Most Promising New Venture and the Award for Economic Impact are three of the most prestigious recognitions a company can receive. The awards represent the triumph of the entrepreneurial dream and spirit. Nominations and applications are now available for the May 16th, 2024, OVF Awards.

The Oklahoma Venture Forum, as a means of publicly recognizing the achievements of successful Oklahoma businesses, has produced the awards biennially since 1989. The 2024 awards will be presented in ceremonies to be held on May 16th, 2024, at Oklahoma History Center.

There is no cost to enter, but the competition is keen. Each finalist will be invited to attend the awards presentation and will receive a plaque recognizing its growth and success.

Evaluation criteria for the Venture of the Year Award will be based on:

- product or service innovation
- revenues and capital raised
- profitability
- management quality
- market penetration and growth
- economic impact
- industry and community reputation

Nominees/applicants for the Oklahoma Venture Forum Venture of the Year Award must have (1) launched its primary product/service within the past ten years, (2) generated sales revenues of \$1.0 million or more in its last fiscal year, and (3) shown material economic impact or innovation within its market. Capital raised can be considered and should be noted on the application. All nominated companies must be independently owned and operated (not a division, subsidiary, or controlled affiliate of another company) and headquartered in Oklahoma.

**2024 Oklahoma Venture Forum
VENTURE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

NOMINEE INFORMATION

All information will be held in strict confidence. Only members of the selection committee will have access.

Company Name: _____

Headquarters Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Telephone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Chief Executive Officer: _____

Other Officers: _____

Contact (if different from CEO) _____

Date Formed: _____

*If company has been re-organized, re-incorporated, or operated under a different name, please provide all related information. Life science companies, please specify R&D phase consideration.

Date that Company launched its primary product/service: _____

*This should be the date that the Company's primary product/service was brought to market. The date can be an approximation.

Description of Company, Products & Services, Market (Additional pertinent information may be attached.)

Is the company independently owned (not a division, subsidiary, or controlled affiliate of another) and headquartered in Oklahoma? ___Yes ___No

Who are your top 3 competitors in the market?

Does the company have a corporate video or web site available? ___Yes ___No

Web Site Address: _____

Please give annual gross revenues for all years since 2014 or formation, projected 2024 sales plus any backlog going into 2024.

	Sales	Capital Raised	# of Employees		Sales	Capital Raised	# of Employees
2023	_____	_____	_____	2018	_____	_____	_____
2022	_____	_____	_____	2017	_____	_____	_____
2021	_____	_____	_____	2016	_____	_____	_____
2020	_____	_____	_____	2015	_____	_____	_____
2019	_____	_____	_____	2014	_____	_____	_____

Please provide 2024 pending or expected developments (expansion of team, revenue projections, funding anticipated, potential source of 2024 funding, or other information you would like the Awards Selection Committee to consider.

Signed: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Applications must be received by January 26, 2024
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