CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA

ATHENA LEADERSHIP AWARD

The ATHENA Award is presented to an individual who is recognized for professional excellence, for providing valuable service to their community and for actively assisting women in their attainment of professional excellence and leadership skills. The ATHENA Award highlights what Recipients have accomplished in addition to paving a path for future successes. The award is established through local host organizations in partnership with ATHENA's national underwriters, local businesses and individual sponsors. By honoring exceptional leaders, the ATHENA Award Program seeks to inspire others to achieve excellence.

ATHENA Leadership Award Nominees must meet each of the following three criteria:

- Demonstrate excellence, creativity and initiative in their business or profession
- Provide valuable service to improve the quality of life for others in their community
- Actively assist women in achieving their full leadership potential

ATHENA YOUNG PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

The ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award honors emerging leaders. There are no specific age qualifications, however as the name of the award would indicate, candidates should be at least college age and have embarked on their career path. It will be at the discretion of each participating community whether or not to determine a maximum age (35~40 for instance).

ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Nominees are *emerging* women leaders who meet each of the following criteria:

- Demonstrates excellence, creativity and initiative in her business or profession
- Provides valuable service to improve the quality of life for others in her community
- Clearly serves as a role model for young women both personally and professionally

ATHENA ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

The ATHENA Organizational Leadership Award recognizes businesses and organizations that support, develop and honor women leaders.

ATHENA Organizational Nominees are business or organizations who meet each of the following criteria:

- Creates an organizational culture that encourages women employees to achieve their full leadership potential
- Gives back to the larger community of women and girls by providing and/ or supporting leadership development opportunities and initiatives

ATHENA Award Program Nomination Form (must complete this for each nomination)

Date _____

NOMINEE

Name _____

Home Address _____

City_____State/Province_____Zip/Postal Code _____

Phone _____Email_____

Company/Organization_____

Title/Position _____

Business Address _____

City_____State/Province_____Zip/Postal Code _____

Work Phone_____ Business Email__ _____

NOMINATOR

Name _____

Company/Organization ___ _____

Business Address___ _____

City_____State/Province_____Zip/Postal Code_____

Phone_____Email_____

Please complete the appropriate nomination form questions for your nominee and send to daniellej@lehighvalleychamber.org by June 30, 2018.

ATHENA Leadership Award Nomination Form

I. PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

Provide specific examples of how the nominee has demonstrated excellence, creativity and initiative in their business or profession.

II. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP:

Provide specific examples of how the nominee provides valuable service to improve the quality of life for others in their community. Include type and length of service in civic and service organizations and initiatives.

III. PERSONAL LEADERSHIP/ MENTORSHIP:

Provide specific examples of how the nominee has actively assisted women in achieving their full leadership potential, and/or demonstrated support for their personal and professional advancement.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CRITERIA:

Include any additional information you feel is important for consideration of your nominee. Include awards, honors, publications, articles and/or testimonials that demonstrate service to their profession, community, and, most importantly, aspiring and established women leaders.

ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award Nomination Form

I. PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

Provide specific examples of how the nominee is an emerging leader in her chosen profession.

II. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Provide specific examples of how the nominee provides valuable service to improve the quality of life for others in their community. Include type and length of service in civic and service organizations and initiatives.

III. PERSONAL LEADERSHIP

Provide specific examples of how the nominee serves as a role model for young women both personally and professionally.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CRITERIA

Include up to three pages of any additional information you feel is important for consideration of your nominee. Include awards, honors, publications, articles and/or testimonials that demonstrate service to their profession, community, and aspiring women leaders.

ATHENA Organizational Leadership Award Nomination Form

I. ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE

Provide specific examples of how the organization encourages women employees to achieve their full leadership potential.

II. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Provide specific examples of how the organization provides or supports leadership development opportunities and initiatives for women and/or girls in their community.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CRITERIA

Include any additional information you feel is important for consideration of your nominee. Include awards, honors, publications, articles and/or testimonials that demonstrate service to their profession, community, and aspiring women leaders.