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CORPORATE INVESTMENT AWARD

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The Corporate Investment Award recognizes a business that has made a positive economic impact on the community (capital investment), has gone above and beyond to enhance their workforce, and has developed innovation in either product or process, to improve and adapt to marketplace change.

NOMINEES

Braun Building Center

Braun Building Center was nominated for the Corporate Investment Award for its significant capital investment and commitment to enhancing both its workforce and product processes. In 2024, the company invested \$3.5 million to build a new truss plant in Manitowoc County, expanding its operations into a 28,000-square-foot facility, a considerable upgrade from its previous 6,500-square-foot space. This expansion allowed Braun Building Center to enhance its workforce, increasing its employee count from 35 to 39, with plans to add more. The company also innovated its production processes by upgrading from an "end eject" system to a more efficient "side eject" system, enabling the simultaneous production of up to three different trusses. Furthermore, they introduced floor truss production, investing in new equipment and specialized machinery, further improving their product offerings and adapting to market demands.

Kohler Credit Union

Kohler Credit Union was nominated for the Corporate Investment Award for its significant financial and human capital investments to ensure the success and sustainability of its merger with Shipbuilders Credit Union. Nearly a million dollars was dedicated to technology upgrades, signage, security, and employee training—demonstrating a strong commitment to operational excellence and workforce development. Through leadership programs, hands-on learning, and tools like Predictive Index, Kohler Credit Union fosters employee growth, mentorship, and open communication. Its enhanced digital banking tools reflect a focus on innovation, offering members convenient and secure financial solutions. The credit union also partners with schools and community organizations to provide financial education workshops on budgeting, scam awareness, and planning. By prioritizing both employee development and financial literacy, Kohler Credit Union builds stronger lives and long-term community success.



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NOMINEES

Manitowoc Public Utilities

Manitowoc Public Utilities (MPU) was nominated for the Corporate Investment Award for its innovative Manitowoc Refuel Renewable Project and commitment to solar energy investment. This project is converting two existing power plant boilers from fossil fuel use to 100% Wisconsin-recognized renewable fuel pellets, extending the life of a critical community-owned asset with minimal capital outlay. By maintaining local control of power generation, MPU is preserving over 30 skilled jobs, ensuring a \$2 million Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) to the City of Manitowoc, and supporting the pellet and trucking industries. Additionally, this project enhances grid resiliency while creating an economic development engine for Wisconsin by keeping fuel revenue in-state and offering a cost-effective solution for industrial waste. By diverting 18,000 tons of non-recyclable industrial paper and plastic waste from landfills each month, MPU is pioneering an environmentally and economically sustainable model not seen in any other Wisconsin power plant.

Schaus Mechanical

Schaus Mechanical was nominated for the Corporate Investment Award for its recent expansion following the acquisition of Maritime Plumbing. The project included the addition of office and warehouse space to support this expansion. Schaus also invested in continued workforce education and modern equipment to drive company growth. By integrating plumbing services into its HVAC business, Schaus is able to streamline projects and estimates, providing greater efficiency for customers who often require both services. This expansion strengthens Schaus' capabilities and enhances its ability to meet the evolving needs of the community, contributing to local economic growth.



ENTREPRENEURIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Sponsored by: UnitedOne Credit Union

The Entrepreneurial Achievement Award recognizes an individual or emerging small business that has developed their ideas, products and/or services into a viable, competitive business, while positively impacting the community.

NOMINEES

Awakened Lakeshore

Awakened Lakeshore was nominated for the Entrepreneurial Achievement Award for its commitment to holistic wellness and community impact. Founded by Tammie Trippler, who turned her passion for Meridian Wellness into a collaborative space, Awakened Lakeshore now houses five businesses dedicated to mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being. More than just a wellness center, it serves as a powerful network supporting individuals on their wellness journeys. Beyond business, Awakened Lakeshore actively gives back to the community by hosting free educational programs, providing holistic sound baths, donating gift baskets for fundraisers, and collecting items for shelters during the holiday season. Tammie's vision has created a thriving hub of support, making Awakened Lakeshore a cornerstone of health and wellness in the community.

Bump and Beyond Family Wellness

Bump and Beyond Family Wellness was nominated for the Entrepreneurial Achievement Award for its profound impact on the Manitowoc County community by providing accessible, high-quality chiropractic care focused on whole-family well-being. Since its launch in September 2024, the practice has experienced rapid growth, addressing a critical need for affordable, holistic healthcare that prioritizes prevention and long-term wellness. By introducing specialized chiropractic plans for pregnant women, infants, and children, as well as wellness programs targeting stress relief and postural correction, Bump and Beyond has empowered families to take a proactive approach to their health. Founder Nadine Illichmann has continually advanced her expertise, earning certifications in Webster's Technique and Cranial Sacral Therapy to enhance client outcomes. Beyond individual care, the practice is dedicated to community engagement, offering educational workshops and forming partnerships with local organizations to promote holistic health. Through its innovative services, commitment to education, and focus on long-term wellness, Bump and Beyond Family Wellness has become a vital resource for families seeking natural healthcare solutions.



ENTREPRENEURIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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NOMINEES

Common Cents Cleaning

Common Cents Cleaning was nominated for their outstanding work, reliability, and trustworthiness. More than just a cleaning company, they operate with a purpose, going above and beyond to support their community. They recently collected donations for victims of the Expo Drive fire and opened their office to allow those affected to take what they needed. Committed to giving as much as they receive, Common Cents Cleaning believes in the power of helping others, understanding that clients are more likely to hire businesses that contribute positively to their communities.

Cozy B's Family Diner

Cozy B's Family Diner was nominated for the Entrepreneurial Achievement Award for its dedication to bringing a welcoming, hometown dining experience to Two Rivers. After recognizing the need for a new breakfast and lunch spot, owner Christina Schuster transformed a former pizza restaurant into a charming and affordable family diner. From December 2023 to July 2024, she and her family worked tirelessly to renovate the building, overcoming numerous challenges, including installing a hood vent system and making necessary structural upgrades. When Cozy B's opened its doors on July 15, 2024, it quickly became a cherished gathering place for the community. Christina's entrepreneurial spirit began with Progress Lakeshore, where she sought assistance to purchase a local bakery that is now Christina's Cakery and Baked Goods. Her journey reflects a deep commitment to revitalizing local dining options and creating spaces where the community can come together over great food.



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NOMINEES

Diversion Motorsports

Diversion Motorsports was nominated for its outstanding growth and impact in the road racing industry. Specializing in track support services, the company has dramatically expanded its offerings, growing its racecar service and rental program by more than five times. They recently purchased their own property, added additional racecars to their inventory, and became one of the leading dealers for Rush Auto Works Vehicles. Their expert support and dedication to enhancing the racing experience have positioned them as leaders in their field. They also contract with several shops to assist with body repair, machining services, part purchases, and tooling and equipment needs. In addition to bringing an exciting product and brand to the area, they work closely with Road America to promote and grow racing within the community. Their commitment to fostering the next generation of racers is evident in their employment of summer high school students passionate about racing or eager to gain more knowledge in the field.

D'Vina's Adult Family Home, LLC

D'Vina's Adult Family Home was nominated for the Entrepreneurial Achievement Award in recognition of Desiree Flores' unwavering resilience, dedication, and passion for serving others. Founded in July 2021 with a mission to provide compassionate, personalized care for aging adults and individuals with disabilities, D'Vina's has become a vital resource for those in need of a supportive, home-like environment. Despite being diagnosed with breast cancer just months after launching her business, Desiree persevered through multiple surgeries while continuing to manage operations and uphold the highest standards of care. Her strength and commitment ensured that D'Vina's remained a place where residents feel valued and empowered. Beyond providing essential services, the business also creates employment opportunities within the community, fostering both economic and social impact. Desiree's journey is a testament to the power of purpose-driven entrepreneurship, making her a deserving recipient of this prestigious recognition.



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NOMINEES

Glow Beauty Bar

Glow Beauty Bar was nominated for its inspiring journey of resilience, passion, and commitment to holistic beauty. Founded by Kim Wilda, an experienced esthetician with over 18 years in the industry, Glow Beauty Bar started in a small third-floor office and has since grown into a thriving storefront. Kim built her business from the ground up, carving out a unique space in the beauty industry by prioritizing skin health, clean ingredients, and personalized care. Beyond skincare, she has created an environment where clients feel seen, nurtured, and empowered in their own skin. Glow Beauty Bar offers services that not only enhance skin health but also promote relaxation and confidence, using natural, organic, and ethically sourced products. By partnering with ethical skincare brands and purchasing products from small businesses, Kim has strengthened her commitment to sustainability and supporting local entrepreneurs.

Little Sips Play Cafe

Little Sips Play Cafe was nominated for its innovative approach to creating a unique and welcoming space for young children and their caregivers. Recognizing the lack of options for children not yet in school, Mikala DeBone sought to fill this gap by establishing a safe and engaging environment for families. Understanding the value of collaboration, she partnered with Katreena Powell and Higher Grounds Coffee Company to enhance the cafe experience while revitalizing a space in Manitowoc. In addition to its community impact, Little Sips Play Cafe had the opportunity to create two part-time positions for two people pursuing careers in early childhood education. Little Sips not only provides a place where children can play and build friendships but also fosters a sense of community by offering caregivers a space to connect over quality coffee. Its unique blend of innovation, entrepreneurship, and dedication to family-friendly experiences makes it a standout in the community.



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NOMINEES

Real Aesthetics & Wellness

Leslie Schweiter and Becky Goessl were nominated for their inspiring journey of merging Lush Aesthetic Bar and Impact Wellness Spa into one successful venture. Now known as Real Aesthetics & Wellness, the business is a full-service medspa offering advanced skincare, wellness, and aesthetic treatments to help clients look and feel their best. In just a short time, they've experienced remarkable growth, expanding their services and creating new opportunities for the lakeshore community. They opened their second location in Sheboygan in January 2024, and now employ 15 staff members across both locations. Their commitment to giving back includes donating to charitable events and supporting the youth apprentice program, with three apprentices currently in training. They also engage with local students by participating in high school career fairs. They have transitioned from operating solo businesses with no employees at the start of 2024 to now leading a thriving team of part-time staff, including RNs, CNAs, and youth apprentices.

The Nook

The Nook was nominated for its innovative approach to socializing by offering a unique, alcohol-free environment that has quickly become a community favorite. Co-owned by Jessica Nicholson and Lily Schuette, it is Manitowoc County's first mocktail lounge, also serving as a coffee shop and bookstore. The Nook provides a welcoming space where people can gather, enjoy herbal-infused mocktails, and unwind with a good book or casual conversation. This concept has filled a much-needed niche in the area, evident by the overwhelming support from the community. Additionally, the business created 3-4 part-time positions, contributing to the local workforce while offering a space for people to connect without the pressure of substance consumption. In addition to its daily offerings, The Nook also hosts a wide variety of engaging community events, including two monthly book clubs known as the "Nook Club," trivia nights, bingo nights, open mic nights, pottery painting sessions, and more.



NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Sponsored by: Froedtert Holy Family Memorial

The Neighborhood Development Award recognizes innovative real estate development or re-use projects that are purposely built or adaptively reused to enhance the community and positively impact the local economy.

NOMINEES

Lakeshore College

Lakeshore College was nominated for the Neighborhood Development Award for completing the Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin Center for Health Care Excellence, a transformative \$6 million investment in healthcare education and workforce development. Opened in August 2024, the 37,000-square-foot facility doubled the college's capacity to train up to 1,500 students annually in high-demand health science programs like nursing, EMS, and radiography. The expansion was made possible through partnerships with donors including Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin, the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, the West Foundation, The Frank G. and Frieda K. Brotz Family Foundation, and the Lakeshore Community Foundation. Featuring cutting-edge simulation labs and interdisciplinary training spaces, the facility provides hands-on experience in realistic healthcare scenarios. It also contributed to local economic growth by engaging Manitowoc County contractors and paving the way for future faculty hires, helping address the region's healthcare workforce shortage, and supporting a healthier, safer community.

Mishicot Community Athletic Complex

The Mishicot Community Athletic Complex was nominated for the Neighborhood Development Award for its transformative impact on the local community and economy. A dedicated group of citizens raised over \$1,000,000 to convert a farm field into a sports hub with four ball fields, and is expected to serve teams from at least 33 surrounding communities. The complex will attract families from across eastern Wisconsin, contributing an estimated \$640,695 annually to the local economy through tournaments and leagues. This community-driven effort creates a space for youth to build skills like teamwork and time management, while boosting tourism and enhancing quality of life. Future plans include a concession stand and lighting for all diamonds, with ongoing donations supporting its continued growth.



NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT AWARD

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NOMINEES

The Cage LLC

The Cage was nominated for the Neighborhood Development Award for transforming a vacant building in Manitowoc into a state-of-the-art indoor training facility for baseball and softball athletes. Before The Cage, local players had to travel an hour to access similar training resources. Now, athletes in our community have a year-round space equipped with cutting-edge tools, including HitTrax technology, which provides real-time performance metrics, video analysis, and biomechanical tracking to enhance skill development. Beyond training, The Cage actively supports the community by donating memberships to school fundraisers, offering reduced-cost access for qualifying families, and providing free or discounted cage time for local teams. The facility's renovation revitalized a deteriorating warehouse, preserving its industrial character while integrating modern amenities such as batting cages, a spectator balcony, and advanced surveillance systems for safety. Looking ahead, The Cage plans to expand its facility to accommodate more training areas and maintain its commitment to fostering the growth of Manitowoc County's young athletes.

Yard 65 Brewery and Events

Yard 65 Brewery and Events was nominated for the Neighborhood Development Award for its remarkable transformation of a vacant historic building into a thriving brewery and event space, bringing new energy and economic growth to Kiel. Owners Jason and Jennifer Knuth revitalized the former AA Laun lumberyard, preserving its character while creating a destination that attracts visitors from across Wisconsin. Since opening in August 2024, Yard 65 has hosted over 40 private events, contributed to local businesses, and has drawn over 1,700 people to the community through weddings, company gatherings, and entertainment. The brewery offers a variety of craft beers, signature cocktails, and rentable spaces, filling a long-standing need for event venues in the area. Through partnerships with local contractors, caterers, and vendors, Yard 65 has not only enhanced Kiel's social and economic landscape but has also become a hub for community engagement, proving that thoughtful redevelopment can breathe new life into a town while preserving its heritage.



COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AWARD

Sponsored by: Jagemann Stamping

The Community Enhancement Award recognizes a business or organization that has made a substantial impact on the quality of life in Manitowoc County by creating projects and initiatives to make Manitowoc County a more attractive place to live and work.

NOMINEES

Ascend Services, Inc.

Ascend Services, Inc. has been nominated for its dedication to promoting individual growth for children and adults with disabilities through community experiences, education, and employment opportunities. In 2024, the organization contributed nearly 1,300 volunteer hours across various local sites such as Grow It Forward, First Presbyterian Church, and the Salvation Army. Its sustainable initiatives focus on continuous support, community partnerships, adaptability, and efficient resource management, ensuring long-term benefits for both clients and the community. Through its active involvement in local drives, events like the Ringing of the Bells, and ongoing collaboration with local businesses, Ascend Services fosters inclusivity and strengthens the social fabric of Manitowoc County. The organization's commitment to volunteerism and community engagement earned them recognition as the Non-Profit Partner of the Year by the Salvation Army, reflecting their significant, positive impact on the community.

Mikadow Theatre

Mikadow Theatre was nominated for the Community Enhancement Award for its dedication to enriching the local community through entertainment, sustainability, and compassion. Known for offering affordable, diverse events like live performances, trivia, and classic films, the theatre's impact goes beyond entertainment. In early 2024, it temporarily closed to provide a safe, warm space for the Vue family to organize search efforts during the heartbreaking disappearance of Elijah Vue—an act that reflected its deep commitment to the community. The theatre also prioritizes sustainability through energy-efficient upgrades, waste reduction, and locally sourced concessions. By partnering with local artists, hosting nonprofit fundraisers, and serving as a creative gathering space, Mikadow Theatre continues to strengthen community connections and environmental responsibility.



COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AWARD

Sponsored by: Jagemann Stamping

NOMINEES

Mike Howe Builders

Mike Howe Builders was nominated for the Community Enhancement Award for its transformative impact on the Manitowoc community, bringing new life to the area through innovative development projects and collaborating with local organizations to foster a dynamic and thriving business environment. These projects not only improve the city's physical landscape but also strengthen its cultural identity and drive economic growth by generating jobs, attracting talented professionals, and fostering entrepreneurship. By forging strong partnerships with local organizations, businesses, and residents, Mike Howe Builders creates more than buildings—they're helping shape a stronger, more connected, and thriving community for everyone.

PetSkull Brewing Company

PetSkull Brewing Company was nominated for the Community Enhancement Award for its outstanding efforts in bringing people together and fostering a sense of connection through live music, community events, and charitable giving. In 2024 alone, the brewery hosted over 160 days of live music, offering an eclectic mix of genres that brought music lovers together for unforgettable experiences. PetSkull also spearheaded the Tuesday Night Manitowoc Food Truck Rallies, which became a downtown staple, attracting families to enjoy diverse food options, live entertainment, and a welcoming community atmosphere. Their dedication to local traditions was evident in their seventh annual Munich in Manitowoc Oktoberfest, celebrating authentic German culture with food, polka, and specialty brews. Beyond entertainment, PetSkull Brewing Company demonstrated a strong commitment to giving back, donating \$3,000 to Gumby's Club Fore a Cure through sales of their GumbSkull Sea Salt and Lime Lager. Their innovative Brew Your Own Beer Business of the Month program strengthened local business connections by collaborating with twelve area businesses to craft custom brews, host special tapping events, and contribute to local nonprofits.



COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AWARD

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NOMINEES

Sullivan Family Farm

Sullivan Family Farm has been nominated for the Community Enhancement Award for its substantial impact on the Manitowoc community by providing healthy, sustainably grown foods that promote both environmental and personal health. Through the WI Local Food Purchase Assistance (LFPA) Program, the farm donated over 850 pounds of protein and 2,000 pounds of vegetables to Grow it Forward in 2024 alone, supporting food-insecure individuals. Beyond food donations, the farm contributes to the community by offering equipment training to fellow growers and organizing support groups for small farmers. Their commitment to sustainability is evident in their collaboration with Grow it Forward and Food Wise to improve access to farm-fresh foods through programs like Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) and the Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP), despite the challenges posed by the cancellation of the Local Food Purchase Assistance (LFPA) program. Additionally, Ryan Sullivan's work with the Seven Rivers Soil Cooperative to enhance local water quality and his educational efforts to engage future farmers highlight the farm's ongoing community collaboration and long-term commitment to sustainable practices.

The Haven of Manitowoc County

The Haven of Manitowoc County has been nominated for the Community Enhancement Award for its significant impact on the quality of life in Manitowoc County through its comprehensive support for men experiencing homelessness. The organization provides short-term shelter, case management, life skills training, and job-readiness resources, focusing on long-term solutions such as employment and stable housing. Its collaboration with local government agencies, nonprofits, churches, and volunteers strengthens community support systems and reduces homelessness-related strain on emergency services. With a sustainable model, including local donor support, state and federal grants, and strategic community partnerships, The Haven ensures financial stability while fostering a compassionate, proactive approach to homelessness. Its participation in regional and statewide coalitions and events like Cardboard City exemplifies its commitment to collaborative efforts and community engagement, making a lasting and positive impact on the well-being of Manitowoc County.



ECONOMIC ACCELERATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Economic Accelerator of the Year Award recognizes an individual or organization that has played a key leadership role in economic development.

NOMINEES

Adam Tegen

Adam has been a driving force behind Manitowoc County's economic development, leading transformative initiatives that are reshaping the City of Manitowoc's landscape. As Community Development Director, his vision and dedication have brought new life to key areas throughout the city. Notable projects include the redevelopment of the River Point District (formerly the CN peninsula) which has seen an increased value of \$12 million; I-43 industrial park expansion which has seen an increased value of more than \$50 million; as well as the future redevelopment of the Lakeshore Mall site and the former Mirro property —laying the groundwork to build desperately needed housing. Adam has also secured millions in federal, state, and private grants to power these efforts. Under his guidance, his staff have also obtained grants for projects throughout the city from the WEDC Vibrant Spaces Program, EPA Building Blocks, and the Fund for Lake Michigan. He also manages the City's Revolving Loan Fund, helping local small businesses grow and thrive, while actively collaborating with Progress Lakeshore, Manitowoc Public Utilities, and the Chamber.

Ascend Services, Inc.

Ascend Services was nominated for the Economic Accelerator of the Year Award for its outstanding contributions to workforce development, entrepreneurship, community collaboration, and business retention in Manitowoc County. As a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting individuals with disabilities, Ascend creates meaningful job opportunities while addressing local workforce shortages. Programs such as Light Assembly Work, Mobile Work Crews, and Community Employment connect individuals with businesses in need of reliable support. Over the past year, 90 clients completed tasks for 19 companies, and 43 individuals were employed through Mobile Work Crews across 5 businesses. The Community Employment program supported 14 individuals in gaining Temporary Work Experience, resulting in 12 permanent hires, and partnered with 43 companies to support job retention for 20 individuals. Since its launch in 2018, the Mobile Work Crews program continues to be a sustainable and impactful workforce solution for the region.



ECONOMIC ACCELERATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

NOMINEES

Lakeshore College

Lakeshore College was nominated for the Economic Accelerator of the Year award for its strong commitment to workforce development and community collaboration in Manitowoc County. In response to the growing need for healthcare providers, the college led a \$6 million expansion to train more health sciences students. Partnering with key donors—including Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin, the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, the West Foundation, and The Frank G. and Frieda K. Brotz Family Foundation—the college opened the 37,000-square-foot Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin Center for Health Care Excellence in August 2024. This state-of-the-art facility doubles capacity to train up to 1,500 students annually in high-demand fields like nursing, medical assisting, and EMS. The project also boosted local economic growth by engaging Manitowoc County contractors and is expected to create new faculty positions. Lakeshore College's initiative strengthens the region's healthcare workforce and exemplifies leadership in economic development and long-term sustainability.

Small Business Development Center at UW Green Bay

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at UW Green Bay was nominated for the Economic Accelerator of the Year award for its 45-year commitment to fostering entrepreneurship, business retention, and economic growth in Manitowoc County. By providing no-cost consulting, the SBDC has played a crucial role in strengthening the local business ecosystem through customized support, including business planning, capital attainment, supply chain solutions, and succession planning. The SBDC has a strong partnership with Progress Lakeshore. Together they deliver the eight-week Entrepreneurial Training Program, co-facilitate business bootcamps, and equip entrepreneurs with essential skills to launch and grow their businesses. Additionally, SBDC staff actively contribute to community leadership by serving on the Bay Area Workforce Development Board, as SCORE volunteers, and as mentors and judges for local pitch contests. Through these efforts, the SBDC has significantly contributed to business success, workforce development, and economic expansion in Manitowoc County.



PAST EXCELLENCE IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD WINNERS

Corporate Investment

- 2012: Miller St. Nazianz and Holy Family Memorial
- 2013: Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry
- 2014: Jagemann Stamping
- 2015: Amerequip Corporation
- 2016: Americollect and Kaysun
- 2017: Parker Hannifin - HPD
- 2018: Lakeside Foods
- 2019: Briess Malt & Ingredients Company
- 2020: Alliance Laundry Systems
- 2021: Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry
- 2022: Redline Plastics
- 2023: Ammo, Inc.
- 2024: The Inn on Maritime Bay

Entrepreneurial Achievement

- 2012: Heavy Pedal Bicycles
- 2013: PDJ Cutting & Fabrication
- 2014: KNM LLC
- 2015: Two Rivers Clothing Company
- 2016: AgriStaff USA
- 2017: Trans-Link Services
- 2018: R2H Flavor Technology
- 2019: Metal Art of Wisconsin
- 2020: Waterfront Wine Bar
- 2021: CORE Treatment Services
- 2022: Brennan Seehafer
- 2023: Summit Clinical Services
- 2024: The Executive Concierge

Neighborhood Development

- 2012: Dermatology Associates
- 2013: HMF Family of Companies
- 2014: Park Regency Management
- 2015: Ironwood Plastics
- 2016: Artist Lofts
- 2017: Forefront Dermatology
- 2018: Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center
- 2019: Tapped on the Lakeshore
- 2020: Strand Adventures
- 2021: Doneff Companies-Schuette Building
- 2022: PetSkull Brewing Company
- 2023: Allie Family Companies
- 2024: Mike Howe Builders

Community Enhancement

- 2018: Clipper City Co-op
- 2019: Night Market 920
- 2020: Lakeshore Community Healthcare
- 2021: Manitowoc-Two Rivers YMCA
- 2022: Boys & Girls Club of Manitowoc County
- 2023: Lakeshore Foster Families & Friends
- 2024: City of Two Rivers: Central Park West 365

Economic Accelerator

- 2012: Dan Pawlitzke
- 2013: Tim Schneider
- 2014: David Less
- 2015: Greg Buckley
- 2016: School District of Mishicot
- 2017: Dennis Dederling & Mike Lanser
- 2018: Sam Grage
- 2019: Mayor Justin Nickels
- 2020: Jason & Tina Prigge
- 2021: Peter Allie & Alex Allie
- 2022: Sachin Shivaram
- 2023: Nicolet National Bank
- 2024: Brandon Bartow

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