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Recognizing Nonprofit Innovative Excellence

The NOVO Awards are open to not-for-profit organizations and recognize programs and individuals that have made a difference in the lives of the people they serve, produce outcomes that exemplify innovative excellence and feature best practices of not-for-profit businesses.

Awards are presented in three categories:

- Nonprofit program innovative excellence in an organization with a budget of less than \$2 Million
- Nonprofit program innovative excellence in an organization with a budget of more than \$2 Million
- Outstanding Board Leader that exemplifies the best in nonprofit board service

Eligibility Requirements

- The organization must be headquartered or have operations in Miami-Dade County.
- The organization must be a registered 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization.
- Only applications that meet all the requirements and criteria will be considered.

Application Requirements

- Deadline for application submission is JULY 8th, 2024
- · Application must be complete
- Only one entry per organization may be submitted
- Copy of the organization's 501 (C)(3) IRS Determination Letter must accompany application
- Optional: one letter of support
- Application and supporting documentation must be emailed to athompson@miamichamber.com by July 8th, 2024.
- Questions? More information? Contact Alicia Thompson at athompson@miamichamber.com

Award Criteria

Innovative Program Excellence

- Program may be defined as the activities of the organization as a whole or a specific program within the organization
- Program must be a current program being offered by the nonprofit organization.
- Must further the mission of the organization
- · Have specific and measurable outcomes
- · Demonstrate innovation
- · Meet community needs

Outstanding Board Leader

- Furthers the mission of the organization, demonstrates creative leadership and innovation
- Must be a currently active board member (paid staff are not eligible)
- Must be nominated by the nonprofit organization he/she serves or a board peer
- · Has shown leadership among colleagues.
- The organization's board must be a governing board with fiduciary responsibility and not an advisory board.

Nominations will be reviewed, and the final selection made by a panel of judges. The top three finalists from each category will be recognized at the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce Trustee Luncheon on **Wednesday**, **September 11**, **2024**. All finalists are invited to attend.

A cash award of \$1,000 will be presented to the top finalist in each category:

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SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 23RD ANNUAL NOVO AWARDS:

Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce Trustee Luncheon, September 11, 2024, 11:30AM, Jungle Island



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Nominator				
Full Name				
Title/Occupation				
Company				
Address				
City		State	Zip	
Phone Number		Email		
Relation to Nominee (can self-nominate)	;			
Category (Please	e select one)			
INNOVATIVE	PROGRAM EXCELLENCE- ORGANIZA	ATION BUDGET UNDER	\$2 MILLION	
INNOVATIVE	PROGRAM EXCELLENCE- ORGANIZA	ATION BUDGET OVER \$	2 MILLION	
OUTSTANDIN	NG BOARD LEADER			
Nominee				
Organization Name				
Address				
City		State	Zip	
Phone Number		Website		
Contact Person				
Title/Occupation				
Phone Number		Email		
Organization Ov	erview			
I. What is the Organization	on's Mission? (50-word limit)			
2. Summarize the history, long term goal, and current priorities of the organization. (150-word limit)				



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Organization Overview (continued)

3. Provide an executive summary of both the organizational budget and program budget. (250-word limit)
Innovative Program Excellence
If applying for the Innovative Program Excellence categories, please complete the following:
1. Select one: Individual Program within an organization
Provide the Name of the Program and Launch Date (month/year)
Entire organization
2. Describe how the program / organization furthers the mission and goals of the organization. (200-word limit)
3. Describe the program / organization's specific and measurable outcomes that tie to the mission and how they are measured. (150-word limit)
4. Why is the program / organization innovative? Describe any "inew dimension" of performance, creative approaches, partnerships and collaborative efforts and unanticipated results. (200-word limit).



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5. Describe what community needs this program targeted, how the need was identified and what results were achieved towards meeting this articulated need. (150-word limit)
Outstanding Board Leader
If applying for the Outstanding Board Leader category, please complete the following: 1. Name of Board Leader and Position
2. How does your nominated board member demonstrate exemplary leadership and services to the community. (200-word limit)
2. Describe how your heard member demonstrates creativity innovation passion and entrapreneurship in son ing the organization
3. Describe how your board member demonstrates creativity, innovation, passion, and entrepreneurship in serving the organization (200-word limit)
4. Explain how your board member embraces, articulates, and furthers the mission of the organization. (200-word limit)
5. Describe how your board member demonstrates a commitment to excellence in effective management, accountability, resource development, oversight and stewardship (200-word limit).