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**2023 Outstanding Women’s Business Advocate Award Application**

**\***NOTE: Only ONE application can be submitted per region.

Each year the Outstanding Women’s Business Advocate Award recognizes an individual (either a WBE or Corporate Member) who has supported to the Metro NY and to other women in business.

**The Awardee will receive:**

* Recognition at the Celebrating Our Partners Reception and Annual Awards Breakthrough Breakfast on September 14 & 15, 2023.
* Profile on the organization website.
* Identification as an awardee at other signature programs including the Breakthrough Breakfast in DMV.
* Opportunity to participate on the 2024 Awards Committee

**Criteria:**

The Outstanding Women’s Business Advocate will be recognized for the following criteria:

* Active involvement with Metro NY – **25 points**
* Significant contributions to Metro NY (this can be in time, finances, in-kind contributions, expertise, etc.) – **30 points**
* Support of women-owned businesses – **25 points**
* Recommendation and Reference Information – **20 points**

**Application Process:**

Corporate representatives, WBEs and Alliance Partners are invited to apply for this award and encourage others to apply if their companies meet the above criteria. To apply:

* Answers to application questions should reflect activity for the 2022 calendar year.
* Nominee **must answer all application questions** on the application and submit **one letter of recommendation** from a current or previous corporation or WBE supplier.
* All applications should be received no later than **Friday August 11, 2023**.
* Applications will be reviewed by a committee. Finalists will be notified by **Wednesday September 6, 2022**.
* Please note that an advocate **canno**t win the same award in two consecutive years.

**Additional Information/Instructions:**

* Each answer should not exceed one page.
* All sections should be completed in the format most appropriate for your response, e.g., narrative, outline, etc.
* Applications must be submitted in one complete package. Applications **will not** be accepted if components are submitted separately.
* Additional materials such as photographs, brochures, and marketing materials will not be accepted.
* Application, company logo and headshot of person who would accept the award should be emailed to: **WBEC Metro NY Awards at** [**awardsny@wbecmetrony.org**](http://awardsny@wbecmetrony.org)

**Nominee Name:**

**Company:**

**Nominee Email Address:**  

* 1. **List activities and provide a brief description of the nominee’s involvement with Metro NY.**

* 1. **List three (3) significant contributions the nominee has made to Metro NY in the past year.**

* 1. **List the contributions the nominee has made to women-owned businesses in the past year and provide a description of how they affected the women’s business community.**

* 1. **Recommendation and Reference Information**

Please attach your letter of recommendation from a corporation or WBE that addresses how you fulfill the awards criteria when you submit your application.