

Entrepreneur of the Year Nomination

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Entrepreneur of the Year Award

The Entrepreneur of the Year Award was developed by the Northeast Oregon Economic Development District to recognize an individual who demonstrates excellent entrepreneurial characteristics. The definition of *entrepreneur* we are using for this award is as follows: "Entrepreneurs perceive new opportunities and create and grow ventures around such opportunities."

Our requirements for nominees have changed a bit this year. Nominated entrepreneurs must be new business owners (two years or less) or must have undergone rapid expansion in the last two years.

Non-profit executives are also qualified to receive the "Entrepreneur of the Year" award. Social/civic entrepreneurs create programs, institutions and resources that enrich communities and lives. As with all other entrepreneurs, they perceive and act upon opportunities. They acquire the skills of teambuilding, venture planning, mobilizing resources, reaching markets and creating value.

To submit a nomination, supply the information requested below (additional pages may be attached) and return it to NEOEDD at the email or mailing address shown above, marked for the attention of the "Award Committee." A maximum of five letters of support may be included with this application. **The winner will be recognized at the Union County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet on Feb. 19th. The last day for nomination submission: Feb. 1, 2010.**

Name of nominee: _____

Address of nominee: _____

Business of Nominee: _____

Name of Nominator: _____ Phone number: _____

1. Why do you consider this person to be an extraordinary entrepreneur?

2. How has the nominee created and/or built upon new opportunities?

3. Anything else you'd like us to know about the nominee?