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2019 Waukesha County Awards Finalists and Winners Announced

(Waukesha, WI) – Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow, the Waukesha County Business Alliance and the Waukesha County Center for Growth have announced the finalists and winners for the 2019 Waukesha County Awards. The awards recognize top-performing businesses and nonprofit organizations that have a significant presence in Waukesha County and are making our community a great place to live, work and play.

“These organizations, both businesses and nonprofits, represent what makes Waukesha County such a great place to be,” said Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow. “The thing that sets us apart as a community is the way we all—businesses, government, nonprofits and educational institutions—work together to make our community stronger. I’m honored to celebrate the contributions of these organizations.”

Business Finalists

Large Business of the Year Finalists – First Bank Financial Centre, Generac Power Systems, Waukesha State Bank

Medium Business of the Year Finalists – R&R Insurance Services, Ruckert & Mielke, Vrakas CPAs + Advisors

Small Business of the Year Finalists – All Occasions/Bubb’s BBQ, Orange Hat Publishing, SWICKtech

Nonprofit Winners

Large Nonprofit of the Year Winner – The Women’s Center

Small Nonprofit of the Year Winner – Family Promise of Waukesha County

Many nominations were submitted for the awards, and an independent judging panel reviewed nominees. Business nominations were reviewed based on the following six criteria: a commitment to good business practices, customer-focused commitment, community service involvement, a history of good employee relations/benefits, financial growth and consistency and education partnerships and workforce development. Nonprofit nominations were reviewed based on the following four criteria: promotes health, safety and quality of life, fulfills the mission of the organization, financial sustainability and engages in collaborations and partnerships.

The winners of the Business of the Year categories will be announced and the winners of the Nonprofit of the Year categories will be celebrated at the second annual Waukesha County Awards Gala dinner on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel. Registration for the program is now open through the Alliance’s website (www.waukesha.org) or by calling 262-542-4249.

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About the Waukesha County Business Alliance

Waukesha County Business Alliance is a countywide chamber of commerce with over 1,200 member companies, representing 75,000+ employees. The mission of the Alliance is to drive economic growth in Waukesha County. The Alliance provides opportunities for its members to advocate on behalf of the business community, develop themselves and their employees, network and build strong business relationships and promote their business. Learn more: www.waukesha.org

About the Waukesha County Center for Growth, Inc.

The Waukesha County Center for Growth, Inc. is Waukesha County’s economic development organization. Created in 2016 by Waukesha County in partnership with the Waukesha County Business Alliance, the Wisconsin Small Business

Development Center and local municipalities, the mission for the Center for Growth is to serve as the central point of contact for businesses looking to grow in Waukesha County. The Center for Growth works to ensure each organization doing business in Waukesha County will reach its fullest potential. For more information, please visit www.waukeshagrowth.org.

About Waukesha County

The mission of Waukesha County government is to promote the health, safety and quality of life of citizens while fostering an economically vibrant community. We are committed to delivering effective, high quality programs and services in a courteous and fiscally prudent manner. More information about Waukesha County departments and services is available online at www.waukeshacounty.gov.

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