

2026 LEADERSHIP THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD

NOMINATION FORM

* Nomination investment will be returned if your candidate is not selected.



Award page layout samples

Organizational Leadership Award

The Leadership Through Community Engagement Award recognizes organizations whose leadership extends beyond business through sustained, thoughtful engagement with the communities they serve.

This award honors companies that demonstrate leadership by organizing and supporting initiatives that benefit their communities in meaningful and consistent ways. We look for efforts that reflect leadership intent, employee involvement, and a clear sense of responsibility beyond the workplace.

The focus is not on a single donation or event, but on leadership expressed through continuity, partnership, and practical impact. We are interested in how leaders make decisions that encourage community involvement, how those efforts are sustained over time, and what the organization has learned along the way.

This recognition is not about self-promotion. It exists to share leadership practices that may be useful to others. We invite organizations to describe what they did, how leadership supported the effort, and how the work affected the community.

Winning organizations will be honored with a full-page profile in the Mid-Year issue of Profiles in Leadership Journal™, providing visibility and recognition for their leadership in action.

NOMINATION DEADLINE: April 17, 2026

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Why This Award Matters

- Recognizes organizations that lead beyond the workplace
- Highlights sustained, practical community engagement
- Showcases leadership decisions that support community impact
- Provides a professional platform to share meaningful initiatives

Complete Your Nomination in 4 Steps

1. Provide important nomination information on pages 3 & 4 of this document.

Nominations will be reviewed and judged based on the brief explanations you provide to our questions on page 4.

2. Complete the Nomination Area on Page 5

There is a \$495 processing investment per nomination which must be received by the nomination deadline. *If your organization is not selected, your nomination investment will be refunded.*

3. Upload* Your Completed Nomination document by April 17, 2026

at <https://leadershipjournal.com/lcce-nomination-upload/>

* Nomination forms must be submitted/uploaded via *PLJ's* secure online portal.
Email submissions will not be accepted!

4. Recognize Your Leaders with Confidence

We understand that today's communications require care and consideration. That's why *Profiles in Leadership Journal* offers all nominating organizations the opportunity to review and approve their award page layout prior to publication.

Your organization remains in full control of how your leadership is portrayed — we're your partner in celebrating excellence, not a source of concern.

It's that Easy

If your organization should be selected as a Leadership Through Community Engagement Award recipient, we will notify the person who you list as our direct contact. Please submit at least two high-resolution photographs of your organization at a community event, as well as a digital version of your organization's logo. Your photographs, logo and answers to our questions on page 4 will appear on a dedicated full-page in our Mid-Year issue. Just complete the Nomination area on pages 3 and 4. Then upload this completed PDF, your photos, logo, and submit your entry fee. Links for upload and payment are on page 5.

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*(Please fill in all form fields and **be sure to save this file** when completed)*

Before You Begin

As part of our collaborative process, your organization will have the chance to review and approve the final layout of your award page before publication. This ensures alignment with your internal messaging and gives your team full confidence to nominate with peace of mind.

A. Organization Information

Organization Name: _____

Headquarters Address: _____

Industry: _____

Website Address: _____

B. Contact Information:

Note: Please ensure that the person whose information is entered below is available to manage all communications related to the nomination and award process.

Primary Contact Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Office Phone Number: _____

Mobile Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Secondary Contact Name: _____

Secondary Contact Email: _____

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C. Tell Us More About Your Organizations Community Engagement

Name of the community engagement initiative or program. (If no formal name, please describe briefly.)

What leadership belief, decision, or priority led your organization to invest in this community effort? (100–150 words)

How have leaders been involved in guiding or supporting this initiative? Examples: sponsorship, participation, policy changes, budget support, volunteer leadership. (100–150 words)

What positive results has this leadership initiative produced for the community, the organization, or its employees? Provide one or two examples. (100–150 words)

D. Final Award Page Layout Approval

Please confirm your preference regarding the final award page layout approval process:

- Yes**, we would like to review and approve the final award page layout before publication.
- No**, we trust the editorial process and do not require a final review.

Note: If "Yes" is selected, publication will not proceed without your organization's approval.

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E. Nomination Processing

NOMINATION INVESTMENT: \$495:

After uploading your Nomination form, please be sure to go to our secure payment portal where you can submit your entry payment. If your organization is not selected, *PLJ* will refund your nomination investment.



Please upload this document at: *(do not email)*
<https://leadershipjournal.com/ltce-nomination-upload/>



Submit \$495 payment at:
<https://buy.stripe.com/00w7sE93F8lDatMcrU0Jq0i>

**If you need an invoice for payment, please email
James Rector: publisher@leadershipjournal.com**

Submitted nomination and fee must be received by April 17, 2026.
Emailed submissions will not be accepted!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. Will our organization have the opportunity to review the award page layout before publication?**
Yes. We offer every nominating organization the chance to review and approve the final award page layout before publication. We understand the importance of alignment with internal communications and public messaging. Your team remains in full control of what is shared publicly.
- 2. Will the nomination investment be refunded if our organization is not selected?**
Yes.
- 3. How will my organization be notified of our award acceptance?**
Confirmation that your organization has been accepted will be sent to the nominator.
- 4. Is purchasing an advertisement in the Mid-Year 2026 issue of *PLJ* required if our organization is accepted?**
No advertising purchase is required.
- 5. Will my organization have an opportunity to revise our award page after it will appear in the Mid-Year 2026 issue?**
Yes. If you have any edits or changes that you would like to make to your page after the magazine is posted online, please email stevetoth@leadershipjournal.com.
- 6. Will we be able to request PDFs of our organizations layout?**
Yes. Please email stevetoth@leadershipjournal.com after the magazine issue comes out, and he will send you the PDF files that you would like to receive **free of charge**.