



2023 Fred H. Harris Professional of the Year Award

The Tennessee Economic Development Council presents the Professional of the Year award annually. It is given in recognition of the achievements of an outstanding economic developer within the state of Tennessee.

Awards Guidelines/Nomination Process

The Professional of the Year Award will be granted to a member of TEDC for leadership in the field of economic development by demonstrating a significant and measurable contribution to economic development in their community.

Eligibility: Any member in good standing of the Tennessee Economic Development Council.

Nomination Process: Members of TEDC or any interested person or organization may submit nominations. The application should include the entry form and related information. The judges may request additional information from the nominating party as required.

Competitive Criteria: All nominations will be considered on a statewide basis. Only a single Professional of the Year Award will be selected for a specific year.

Awards Ceremony: The Professional of the Year Award Winner will be recognized at the awards ceremony held at the TEDC Annual Fall Conference November 2, 2023 in Franklin, TN!

Awards Criteria - *Nomination Deadline October 6, 2023*

Please answer the following items. Use a separate sheet for each question.

1. How long has your nominee been involved in economic development?
2. Identify by name and description the project(s) the nominee contributed to and were completed in 2022/2023.
3. In what ways has your nominee's expertise and professionalism influenced the outcome of key projects?
4. What challenges has your nominee faced in their economic development work and how have they been overcome?
5. Describe any ancillary benefits that the nominee has achieved through the retention, expansion, and recruitment of business in their community.

Provide supporting documentation such as letters, news stories, and other related items if possible.

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Nominee

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Nomination Submitted By:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please call or e-mail TEDC at 615/513-4913 or suzie.lusk@tnchamber.org with questions.