

Previous Award Finalists at the Chamber's Small Business Luncheon

2017

Award winners for 2017 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

Darrin Black, Maverick Saw Cutting & Core Drilling | **Cakes by Birdie, Michelle Kilborn** | Gayla Fullerton, Gayla CPA

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Jacob Bunton, Batts Communications LP | Mindy Howard, The Mill | **Matt Smith, Fat Matt Roofing**

Community Investment Award Finalists

biketown, Jim MacDonald | Casa Authentique, Yanell Rieder | La Voz 93.3, Pete Garcia

2018

Award winners for 2018 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

Darrin Black, Maverick Saw Cutting & Core Drilling | **Nothing Bundt Cakes, Deon Lawson and Hali Thompson** | Sockdolager Brewing Company, James Bridwell and Will Merion

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Jason and Jessica Adams, Vagabond Pizza | Daisy Jane Bergeron, Willow Creek Chapel | James Bridwell, Sockdolager Brewing Company

Community Investment Award Finalists

Casa Authentique, Yanell Rieder | Batts Communications LP, Yvonne Batts | Brookhollow Animal Clinic, Dr. Lynn Lawhon | **LaVoz 93.3 FM, Pete Garcia**

2019

Award winners for 2019 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

Brightway, The Young Agency | Life of Pie Bistro and Boutique | **Was This Way Laundry Center**

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Allison Carroll – Monks Coffee | Colt Moss – HyrdroPro Landscaping | **Jonathan Spencer – Armament Shield**

Community Investment Award Finalists

JAR Land and Investments | Pest Patrol | **TMI Texas Media, Inc.**

Family Owned Business of the Year

3rd Street Printing | Little Joe Movers | **The Shed Market**

2020

Due to COVID, no finalists were announced in 2020. The 2020 winners are listed below.

New Business of the Year

The Shed Market

Young Entrepreneur of the Year

Omar Ortiz – 83 Entertainment and Allison Carroll – Monks Coffee Shop

Community Investment Award

Pest Patrol

Family-Owned Business of the Year

Kent Beck Motors

2021

Award winners for 2021 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

The Domain Abilene | Young's RV & Trailer Repair | **Firecycle Abilene**

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Jacque & Josh Thweatt – Abilene Water Service | Jay Patterson – The Leaf | **Kelsi Mangrem – Holland Hearing Center**

Community Investment Award Finalists

Community Broadcast Partners | Holland Hearing Center | **IN-Focus Digital**

Family-Owned Business of the Year

Battles Home Improvement | Barrett Collision Center | **Sitzes Self Storage**

2022

Award winners for 2022 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

Cedar Gap Wealth Management | Grain Theory | **Front Porch Coffee**

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Jason Tabares – Dad's Ice Cream | Josh and Jacque Thweatt – Abilene Water Service | **Jason Hodges – Chike Nutrition**

Community Investment Award Finalists

The Leaf | Double Diamond Signs | **Jane of All Trades**

Family-Owned Business of the Year

Abilene Water Service | Texas Media | **Cypress Street Station**

2023

Award winners for 2023 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

Abilene Candle Co. | Beyond Blessed Bridal | **Peacock Patio**

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Josh Rader – Firehouse Fitness | Karson Tutt – Karson’s | Alyssa Hartley – Crosslet Photography and Videography

Community Investment Award Finalists

Revive Life Spa | **My Emergency Room 24/7 + Urgent Care** | RGF Insurance

Family-Owned Business of the Year

Ingram Cleaners | 160 Promotions | Perkins Insurance

2024

Award winners for 2024 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

Eye Spy Escape Room | Plugged Marketing & Consulting | H&H Beverages

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Michaela Brandon | Kingslee Allen | Miah Pullen

Community Investment Award Finalists

Bad Hass Cleaning | **Fullerton & Associates** | Abilene Auto Spa

Family-Owned Business of the Year

Life of Pie | Little Italy Pizza & Pasta | **Mulligan’s Sports Bar & Grill**

2025

Award winners for 2024 are highlighted in red.

New Business of the Year Finalists

Abilene Flying Bison | Crane’s Craft BBQ at the Wagon Wheel | Seven and One Books

Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalists

Dr. Jodi Hierholzer - Body Worx | Ethan Kunkel – County Waste Service | Isaiah Mendoza – IDM Construction

Community Investment Award Finalists

Fat Matt Roofing | **Potosi Live** | RGF Insurance

Family-Owned Business of the Year

County Waste Service | **Gary’s Floral Gallery** | The Ice House at Lone Star Dry Goods