

# BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS WINNERS FOR 2019

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In celebration of Small Business Week, a national week recognizing entrepreneurs and their contribution to the economy, Halton Hills businesses celebrated another year of outstanding achievement.

Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce members gathered at Glencairn Golf Club to celebrate another year of excellence within the community.

For the fourth consecutive year, Grant Thornton was the gala's title sponsor.

With submissions judged by chamber executives across the province, seven award-winners were



announced from 21 finalists at the 2019 Business Achievement Awards Gala.

"The overriding message of the evening was community," Kathleen Dills, general manager of

the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce, said. "Every day our businesses are focused on getting the job done. Our awards brings the business community together to celebrate how important each and every



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Left, Melanie Frazer, chair of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce, Eva Podoski, area manager for Food4Kids Halton, and Gayle Kabbash executive director of Food4Kids Halton. Food4Kids Halton received the Association of the Year award. Right, Joel Briere, of BDC, Ron Quinlan, owner of Glazed Expressions Creative Studio, and Leith Bengtson, chair of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce. Quinlan received the Business of the Year award for a business with fewer than 10 employees.

one's contribution to the economy of Halton Hills is and to recognize business excellence."

The event was the 40th anniversary of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce event.

The winners in each category are:

**Community Excellence Award:** The Royal Academy of Arts and Education - Connie Ward

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**Association of the Year:** Food4Kids Halton - Gayle Kabbash

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**Environmental Excellence Award:** GreenPort Environmental

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**New Business of the Year:** M Power - Shannon Smith

Sponsored by Halton Region Economic Development - Small Business Centre

**Business Citizen of the Year:** Dr. Matt Bradbury - One Life Family Chiropractic

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**Business of the Year (less than 10 employees):** Glazed Expressions Creative Studio - Ron Quinlan

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**Business of the Year (more than 10 employees):** Artcast Inc. - Erich J. Knoespel

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