

Erie Inc.

YOUR INSIDE GUIDE TO THE REGION'S BUSINESS

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Our finalists



COMPANIES WITH MORE THAN 50 EMPLOYEES



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Lord Corp.



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Scott Enterprises



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FMC Technologies

COMPANIES WITH FEWER THAN 50 EMPLOYEES



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The Brewerrie at Union Station



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Lincoln Recycling



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Duskas-Martin Funeral Home and Crematory Inc.

The finalists for the 2013 Commitment to Erie Awards range from one of our largest employers to an upstart restoration business. The list also includes some of our most noted entrepreneurs and four active nonprofit organizations.

A trait all of them share is their positive effect on our community.

A panel of five judges weighed nearly 100 nominations over the course of July and determined that these 23 companies or organizations were particularly laudable in a year of mixed economic news for the region.

The winners will be announced at a special banquet on Sept. 18.

Commitment to Erie Award

This award recognizes an Erie business for being more than just a stable, long-term employer. The winner will be honored for its commitment to its customers and to the region through its support of local employees, endeavors and enterprises. Employers might also show their commitment through a pattern of innovation and service that helps ensure their success and future in Erie. This is our highest honor and it is given to two companies, one with 50 or fewer employees and one with more than 50 employees. The 2012 winners were Erie Insurance and Kraus Department Store.

Finalists for companies with 50 or fewer employees:

- Brewerrie at Union Station
- Lincoln Recycling
- Duskas-Martin Funeral Home

and Crematory Inc.

Finalists for companies with more than 50 employees:

- Lord Corp.
- Scott Enterprises Inc.
- FMC Technologies

Workplace of the year

This award recognizes two companies, one with 50 or fewer employees and one with more than 50 employees, for their commitment to their employees. The 2012 winners were Eriez Magnetics and Weber Murphy Fox.

Finalists for companies with 50 or fewer employees:

- United Erie
- Seifert's Furniture
- Weber Electric Supply

Finalists for companies with more than 50 employees:

- ErieBank
- FMC Technologies
- Plastikos Inc.

Community service

This award recognizes a company for a particular outreach project in the community or for an ongoing pattern of community service and outreach. The 2012 winners were GE Transportation, whose employees volunteered for a beautification effort on the city's east side, and the Pittsburgh Inn, which supported troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Finalists for companies with 50 or fewer employees:

- LCBA
 - Lincoln Recycling
 - Harley-Davidson of Erie
- Finalists for companies with more than 50 employees:**
- Barber National Institute
 - Erie Insurance
 - Plastikos Inc.

New business of the year

This award will be given to an Erie-based company that has been in business less than three years that is innovative, shows promise and already exudes some of the qualities seen in Commitment to Erie winners. This is a new category.

Finalists:

- ERI — Erie Restoration Inc.
- Frankie & May Fresh Grocer

Nonprofit of the year

This honors a local nonprofit institution for its contributions to the greater Erie community.

The 2012 winners were Millcreek Health System and the Erie Community Foundation. This year, only one nonprofit will be recognized.

Finalists:

- Community Blood Bank
- Erie Art Museum
- Jefferson Educational Society
- United Way of Erie County

Legacy award

This honor goes to an individual, company or organization that has improved the region's economy and helped transform the Erie community. This is a new category.

Finalists:

- E.E. Austin & Son
- Nick Scott Sr. of Scott Enterprises Inc.
- Industrial Sales & Management Inc.

If you go

Tickets are now available to attend the Commitment to Erie Awards celebration on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at the Ambassador Conference & Banquet Center, 7792 Peach St. Tickets are \$65 per person and tables seat eight. Tickets can be purchased at www.goerie.com/cteawards. A networking reception begins at 5 p.m. The dinners and awards presentation begins at 6 p.m.