**ATHENA Award Nomination Instructions**

The ATHENA Award actively supports and celebrates the ATHENA mission of supporting, developing and honoring women leaders, inspiring women to achieve their full potential – creating balance in leadership worldwide. The ATHENA Award honors individuals who strive toward the highest levels of personal and professional accomplishment, who excel in their chosen field, devote time and energy to their community in a meaningful way, and forge paths of leadership for other women to follow.

**THE CRITERIA**

ATHENA Recipients must meet each of the following five criteria:

* Demonstrate excellence, creativity and initiative in their business or profession
* Provide valuable service to improve the quality of life for others in their community
* Assist women in reaching their full leadership potential
* Live or work in Henderson County
* Must be at least 21 years old

**COMPLETING THE FORM**

* + Nominations for the ATHENA Award **must** be submitted using this nomination form
  + **Typed applications are STRONGLY encouraged**
  + To access the electronic version of the form, please visit [**www.hendersoncountychamber.org**](http://www.hendersoncountychamber.org)
  + You may include two additional pages of supporting documents (i.e. resume, CV, etc.)
  + The information submitted should support the award criteria of achievement, leadership and service.
  + **Must include high-resolution headshot.**
  + **Deadline for nominations is Friday, March 13, 2020**

**THE PROCESS**

**A Selection Committee consisting of a diverse group of leaders from OUTSIDE your community will review all nomination forms and select the ATHENA Award Recipient.**

**The ATHENA Award Recipient will be announced at The Business & Professional Women’s Luncheon on May 14, 2020, at Kenmure Country Club.**

**RETURN COMPLETED NOMINATION MATERIALS TO**

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Date:

**NOMINEE**

###### Name

###### Home Address

City       State/Province    Zip/Postal Code

Phone      Email

Company/Organization Name

Title/Position

Business Address

City       State/Province    Zip/Postal Code

Work Phone       Business Email

**NOMINATOR**

###### Name

Company/Organization Name

Business Address

City       State/Province    Zip/Postal Code

Phone       Email

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1. **PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP:**

Provide specific examples of how the nominee has demonstrated excellence, creativity and initiative in their business or profession.

1. **COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

List local, state, national and international level participation. Include length of service and offices held in civic and service organizations such as charitable activities, political pursuits, religious groups, chambers of commerce, merchants’ associations, etc.

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1. **PERSONAL LEADERSHIP:**

Provide specific examples of how the nominee has assisted women in reaching their full leadership potential, and/or demonstrated support for their professional advancement.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CRITERIA:**

Include any additional information you feel is important for consideration of your nominee. List awards, honors received, publications or articles supporting service to their profession, industry or community.