

The [Sonoma County Mayors' Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities](#)  
invites you to submit a

# Nomination

for the

## 2012 Employer Best Practices Awards

Annual Celebration will be held at the  
[Flamingo Conference Resort & Spa](#)

Wednesday, October 17, 2012  
7:30 am – 9:30 am



AWARD CATEGORIES (See *Guidelines on the following page.*)

- EMPLOYER BEST PRACTICES AWARD
- EMPLOYEE INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVE AWARD
- SERVICE PROVIDER AWARD (Public, Private, Non Profit)

Mail completed nomination form and rationale to DSLC, 521 Mendocino Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95401;  
FAX to 707-528-9477; or Email to [scmayor@sonic.net](mailto:scmayor@sonic.net) by August 1, 2012. Please print. One nomination per form.

Award Category (Select one)  Employer Best Practice  Employee Individual Initiative  Service Provider

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

For Event Registration and Sponsorship Information go to our website at: [www.sonomacountymayorscommittee.com](http://www.sonomacountymayorscommittee.com).

### PARTNERS



## AWARD CATEGORIES

- ***Employer Best Practices Award:*** Recognizes employers in Sonoma County with policies and practices that serve as a model for the removal of barriers to employment and career advancement.  
**For example, companies may represent:**
  - ***Large and Small (20 employees or less ) Size Businesses:*** For efforts to recruit and promote people with disabilities.
  - ***Assistive Technology Companies:*** For the innovative application of assistive devices, technology and training materials. For example: companies that provide IT infrastructure, Web Content Design, ISP, Assistive Devices and Equipment for transportation, sight, hearing and mobility.
  - ***Innovative Media Companies:*** For creative media efforts that target recruiting, hiring of applicants and encourage the career advancement of individuals with a disability. For example, a company that provides marketing services, videography, advertising, radio or television, print media, Internet applications and website development.
  - ***Universal Access:*** Companies that implement the design, construction or alteration of buildings or facilities and equipment (transportation) that promotes the employment and career advancement of employees with a disability. For example, architectural and engineering firms, contractors, manufacturers, property managers, mortgage brokers and commercial realtors.
- ***Employee Individual Initiative Award:*** Recognizes an employee with a company for more than 1 year who demonstrates initiative in the workplace to remove barriers to employment and/or shows initiative in career advancement within the firm.
- ***Service Provider Award:*** Recognizes a public, non-profit agency or private firm that provides employment services for the placement of job seekers with a disability.

### AWARD GUIDELINES

- Award recipients must conduct business or be employed in Sonoma County.
- A rationale for the award must demonstrate a direct employment connection.
- Award recipient must attend the **Employers Annual Best Practices Awards Breakfast.**
- Only the Award recipients are guests of the ***Sonoma County Mayors' Committee.***
- Award recipients must provide a media release to use name and photo in the media.
- All nominees not selected will receive a **Certificate** and will be listed in the **Commemorative Program Booklet.**
- Award nominations should include a one-page summary detailing the rationale for the award.
- Nominees selected will be asked to participate in video of their business or employment.
- Please confirm the nomination with the nominee or employer before submitting form.
- Nominees will be notified in early September.
- Submit nomination by **August 1, 2012** to DSLC, 521 Mendocino Ave, Santa Rosa, CA 95401; or FAX (707) 528-9477 or Email to: [scmayor@sonic.net](mailto:scmayor@sonic.net).
- **Questions:** Please contact Taryn Lewis, [taryn.lewis@sonoma-county.org](mailto:taryn.lewis@sonoma-county.org)

