

**Columbia County Economic Development Corporation
Business/Manufacturer/Entrepreneur/Inventor of the Year Awards
Past Winners**

- 2017** No Awards this year – moved to every other year
- 2016** Business of the Year Award - Bell Ford - Arlington
Small Business of the Year Award - Belco Vehicle Solutions - Lodi
Large Manufacturer of the Year Award - St. Gobain Performance Plastics - Portage
Small Manufacturer of the Year Award - Hughes Equipment - Columbus
Entrepreneur of the Year Award - Badger Motor Car Company - Columbus
Start Up of the Year Award - Continual, LLC - Portage
Recreation and Stewardship Award - Indian Trails Campground - Pardeeville
Community Achievement Award - Columbus Community Hospital - Columbus
- 2015** Manufacturer of the Year Award- ALKAR-RapidPak,Inc. - Lodi
Manufacturer of the Year Award - Robbins Manufacturing, Inc.- Fall River
Business of the Year Award - Everbrite, LLC - Pardeeville
Business of the Year Award - Zimmerman Plumbing, Inc. - Portage
Entrepreneur of the Year Award - Morning Glory Glass Studio - Lodi
New Startup of the Year Award - Governor Lewis Mansion - Columbus
Retailer of the Year Award - La Grotta Sull' Acqua - Lodi
Community Spirit of the Year Award - Kd's Bar and Grill - Lodi
- 2014** Large Manufacturer of the Year – Saint Gobain Performance Plastics – Portage
Small Manufacturer of the Year - Fromm Family Foods - Columbus
**Large Business of the Year – E. K. Machine – Fall River
Small Business of the Year – Saftig Foods, Inc/Piggly Wiggly - Poynette
New Startup Award – WiseGuys Auto Repair - Columbus
New Product Innovation Award – DeHaus Inc. - Portage
Sustainability/Green Award – Didion Milling - Cambria
- 2013** Large Manufacturer of the Year – Enerpac – Columbus
Large Business of the Year – Alsum Farms & Produce, Incorporated – Friesland
Small Business of the Year – Hydro Street Brewing Company – Columbus
Community Spirit Award – Mark’s Market – Rio
New Startup Award – The Barn at Harvest Moon Pond Conference Center – Poynette
New Product Innovation Award – PendaForm – Portage
Sustainability/Green Award – Tegrant – Pardeeville
- 2012** Large Manufacturer of the Year – Robbins Manufacturing – Fall River
Medium Manufacturer of the Year – Grande Cheese Company – Wycocena
Small Manufacturer of the Year – Anteco Pharma – Lodi
Large Business of the Year – General Engineering Company – Portage
Small Business of the Year – Columbus Antique Mall & Museum – Columbus
Sustainability/Green Business of the Year – Everbrite, Incorporated – Pardeeville
- 2011** Manufacturer of the Year - American Packaging Corporation – Columbus
Business of the Year - Poynette Auto Body, LLC – Poynette
Business of the Year - Lodi Sausage Company and Meat Market – Lodi
- 2010** Large Manufacturer of the Year – Penda Corporation, Portage
Small Manufacturer of the Year, Poynette Iron Works, Inc., Poynette

Business of the Year Award – Antiques Mall of Portage, Portage
Entrepreneur of the Year – Treinen Farm, LLC, Lodi

2009 Manufacturer of the Year – Appleton Papers, Incorporated, Portage
Business of the Year – Pierce’s Supermarket, Portage
Entrepreneur of the Year – Northpoint Plaza, Dekorra
Downtown Revitalization Award – Spring Creek Business Center, Lodi

2008 Manufacturer of the Year – Everbrite Inc., Pardeeville
Business of the Year – Prime Mechanical of Wisconsin, LLC, Arlington
Entrepreneur of the Year – Co-winner - Padley Plus – Lodi
Entrepreneur of the Year – Co-winner - Krista’s Kitchen – Portage

2007 Business of the Year – Harmony Grove Trucking and Repair, Town of Dekorra
Large Manufacturer of the Year – American Packaging, Columbus
Small Manufacturer of the Year – Anteco Pharma, Lodi
Community Spirit Award – Pardeeville Family Dentistry, Pardeeville
Contribution to Downtown Revitalization and Historical Preservation Award –
The Frey Group LLC/ Colonial Carriage Works, Columbus
Contribution to the Business Community for 78 years – Eulberg’s The Store for Men

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2006 Manufacturer of the Year – United Wisconsin Grain Producers, Friesland
Small Business of the Year – Dauman Electric, Fall River
Large Business of the Year – J. W. Jung Seed Company, Randolph
Community Spirit Award – New Discoveries Art and Frame Gallery, Lodi

2005 Manufacturer of the Year – Matrex Mold, Portage
Business of the Year – Blue Star Dairy, Arlington
Community Spirit Award – Johnson Sausage Shoppe, Rio

2004 **Small Manufacturer of the Year – Great White Dental Laboratory, Lodi
**Large Manufacturer of the Year – Portage Plastics, Portage
Business of the Year - Oelke Construction, Fall River

2003 Manufacturer of the Year – Associated Milk Producers, Inc., Portage
Small Business of the Year – Fearing’s Electronic Systems, Portage
Medium Business of the Year – Capital Newspapers, Portage
Large Business of the Year - Alsum Produce, Friesland

2002 Small Business of the Year – Skyline Steel, Arlington
Large Business of the Year – Penda Corporation, Portage

2001 Small Manufacturer of the Year – Mett Electronics LLC, Town of Dekorra
Medium Manufacturer of the Year – Maysteel LLC, Columbus
Emerging Manufacturer – Northwoods Paper Converting, Inc., Fall River
Community Commitment Award – Aeschbach Maintenance Machining, Poynette
**Poynette Iron Works, Poynette

2000 Small Manufacturer of the Year – Stainless Steel Fabricating, Columbus
Medium Manufacturer of the Year – EK Machine, Fall River

1999 **Large Manufacturer of the Year – Alkar, Lodi
**Manufacturer of the Year – Robbins Manufacturing, Fall River

****Winners of Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year Awards**