

3rd Annual Leeds Grenville Immigrant Entrepreneur Award

Immigrant Entrepreneurs come to Canada with many new ideas, business approaches and a fierce drive to succeed. Leeds Grenville is privileged to be home to a large number of these individuals.

What is the Annual Leeds Grenville Immigrant Entrepreneur Award?

The aim of this award is to recognize and celebrate the contributions that Leeds and Grenville immigrant entrepreneurs are making to local communities. The St. Lawrence-Rideau Immigration Partnership established this award in 2015 in conjunction with the Leeds Grenville Small Business Enterprise Centre.

What is the prize?

The winner will be awarded with a personalized plaque at the Bridges to Better Business Conference being held in Brockville during Canada's Small Business Week in late October, 2017. Two complimentary tickets to the event will be provided.

What is the Bridges to Better Business Conference?

The Bridges to Better Business Conference is a one-day conference for small business owners, employment agencies and economic development officials that includes speakers and an award ceremony for small business owners. The event is hosted by the Leeds Grenville Small Business Enterprise Centre.

Who is eligible for this award?

To be eligible, nominees must have been born outside of Canada, be an owner/operator of an active business in Leeds Grenville, reside in Leeds Grenville and demonstrate characteristics of a successful entrepreneur.

How do I nominate?

The nomination form is available as an online form and a printable form. The completed nomination form should be submitted using one of the following methods:

1. Online: www.surveymonkey.com/r/BRNXFRS
2. Email: vivianne@eecentre.com
3. Mail/drop off: Employment + Education Centre (105 Strowger Blvd., P.O. Box 191, Brockville, ON, K6V 5V2)

Nominations are due by **September 15 2017**. The winner will be notified by October 6 2017.

What is required from the winner?

With input from the chosen nominee, a short video will be created to recognize and announce the award. The winner is expected to attend the Bridges to Better Business Conference.

How will the nominations be judged?

All nominations are judged by select members of the St. Lawrence-Rideau Immigration Partnership Council and staff. Judging criteria is based on key qualities such as perseverance, versatility, patience, and community contributions.

Any Questions?

Please contact Vivianne White, Project Coordinator of the St. Lawrence-Rideau Immigration Partnership at 613-498-2111 ext. 261 or vivianne@eecentre.com.



Nomination Form

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Nominee Details:

Name: _____
Number of Years in Canada: _____
Home Country: _____

Please describe how the nominee demonstrates the following characteristics:

1. Perseverance: The nominee has overcome life/personal barriers to become an entrepreneur in Leeds and Grenville.

2. Tolerates Uncertainty and Risk: The nominee turns uncertainty and risk into opportunity.

3. Versatility: The nominee demonstrates resourcefulness and adaptability that has enhanced their business and/or community.

Submitted/Nominated By:

Name: _____
Relation to nominee: _____
Date: _____

Business Details:

Name: _____
Type: _____
Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____
Email: _____

4. High energy level: The nominee works hard and puts in the time to accomplish goals.

5. A strong desire to achieve: The nominee demonstrates the ability to continue despite setbacks and disappointment in the business venture.

6. Community Contributions: The nominee is involved in their community through activities such as volunteer work, contributing donations and participating on local boards etc.

Phone Number: _____
Email: _____