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2025 MDC Downtown Small Business of the Year Award

Please nominate a small business owner or entrepreneur that has displayed innovation, dedication, and entrepreneurial spirit in 2024-25. Has the business owner/entrepreneur increased their volume of business, expanded operations, demonstrated best in quality, or demonstrated a strong commitment to downtown revitalization/community spirit? How are they leveraging the value of being in a Main Street, Affiliate or Municipal program community? The awardee will be recognized at the Maine Downtown Center Annual Awards celebration to be held on November 14, 2025. Nominations must be from a current Main Street, Affiliate, or Municipal Community and can be a long-standing or new business. Businesses do not have to be in a brick-and-mortar location. We define a small business as having ~25 or less employees. Your nomination will be kept anonymous. Nominations are open until 5PM on Friday, July 11, 2025. If you have questions or need more information, please email Perri Williams (pwilliams@mdf.org).

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Nominee Information		
Please share some information about the small business/entrepreneur you are nominating.		
Nominee Name (Required)		
Business or entrepreneur name		
Nominee Location (Required)		
city/town *Must be an MDC community (see map (https://www.mdf.org/program-partnerships/maine-downtown-center/))		
Nominee Contact Name (Required)		
First	Last	

Nominee Phone (Required)
Business/Entrepreneur Overview (Required)
Please tell us about the nominated business/entrepreneur. What is their business? Who do they serve? Please provide a brief bio of the entrepreneur and overview of the business.
Business/Entrepreneur Achievements (Required)
Explain why the nominee deserves to win the Business/Entrepreneur of the Year Award. Highlight their achievements, innovative approaches, leadership qualities, and any other relevant information. Discuss
any innovative strategies or approaches the nominee has implemented within their business. This could include the adoption of new technologies, creative marketing campaigns, unique product/service
offerings, or sustainable business practices.
Downtown Involvement (Required)
Please describe the business's history with the local Main Street program and how the nominee has positively impacted the local community, examples of its involvement in downtown revitalization and how
the business exemplifies the best in quality, merchandising, and community spirit. This could involve initiatives such as job creation, supporting local charities or causes, organizing events that bring people
together, etc. How are they leveraging the value of being in a Main Street, Affiliate or Municipal program community?

Additional Info

Anything else you would like to share about the business/entrepreneur? i.e. Has the nominee demonstrated resilience and adaptability? Are there examples of how the nominee has solved a problem or met a need within the community?

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Please provide a high resolution photo of the nominee (in their busin	ess, if possible). (Required)	
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