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TECH AWARDS APPLICATION FORM FIELDS

Please only submit an application on behalf of your employer and/or yourself. You may select one or multiple award categories on the same application. You may create a login if you wish to save your work and complete the application in multiple sittings.

There are four sections to complete:

- 1) Company & Contact Information (Required)
- 2) Award Category(s) Selection (Select one or multiple)
 - a. Technology Corporate Awards
 - b. Use of Technology Awards
 - c. Individual Awards
- 3) Employee & Financial Information (Required for Technology Corporate Awards and encouraged for Use of Technology Awards)
- 4) Additional Information (Optional)

If you have any questions about the NC Tech Awards or the application process, please contact NC TECH at 919.856.0393. Deadline to submit an application is July 15, 2021.

COMPANY & CONTACT INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

Company Contact Submitting the Form

- First Name*
- o Last Name*
- o Title*
- o Email*
- o Phone*

Company Information

Company Name*

- Company Website*
- Headquarters State*
- Primary NC Operations Location*
- Company Industry/Line of Business*
- Provide 50 word or less company/organization description and primary focus. If chosen as a finalist, this description will be published in our Awards Gala materials. *

Highest Ranking Executive in NC

- Executive First Name*
- Executive Last Name *
- Executive Job Title*
- Executive Email*
- Executive Phone*

AWARDS CATEGORY SELECTION & SUPPORTING INFORMATION

* TECHNOLOGY CORPORATE AWARDS

Recognizes technology companies for innovation, excellence and growth.

Applicants for the TECHNOLOGY CORPORATE AWARDS must be a technology company that is either headquartered in North Carolina or has a significant presence in the state. For TECHNOLOGY CORPORATE AWARDS, applicants are required to include Employee & Financial Information for the application to be complete.

Select as many categories as applicable and briefly explain why the company should be recognized for the awards selection. (Please include an explanation for each category selected) For complete descriptions, click here.

- Industry Driven AgTech
- Industry Driven CleanTech
- Industry Driven EdTech
- Industry Driven FinTech
- Industry Driven BioTech, MedTech + Life Sciences
- NC HQ Tech Company
- Software Company
- Top 10 Startups to Watch
- Best Tech Company to Work
- Tech Diversity

*** USE OF TECHNOLOGY AWARDS**

Recognizes companies, organizations and institutions for their use of technology.

Applicants for the USE OF TECHNOLOGY AWARDS can be any company, organization or institution that is either headquartered in North Carolina or has a significant presence in the state. Applicants must clearly state the use of technology and provide insight on the impact. For USE OF TECHNOLOGY AWARDS, applicants are encouraged to complete the Employee & Financial information. (Please include an explanation for each category selected)

- Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning
- Analytics/Big Data
- Cyber Security
- Innovative Product/Solutions
- Tech for Good
- Digital Transformation

• Public Sector Project

* INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Recognizes executives and stakeholders for their accomplishments and/or impact in the tech sector. Applicants for INDIVIDUAL AWARDS must qualify based on the specific individual award category in which you are applying and must be employed (or formerly employed) by a company, organization or institution that is either headquartered in North Carolina or has a significant presence in the state. Applicants must clearly state why the individual is deserving of recognition for the corresponding category. Please note the special instructions for each individual award. Please only submit an application for yourself and/or a colleague. (Please include name, title and email of each applicant and an explanation of why this person should be considered for each category selected)

- Tech Executive of the Year (Must be President/CEO or Site Leader of a Tech Company)
- Private Sector CIO of the Year (Must be a CIO in the private sector to qualify)
- Public Sector CIO of the Year (Must be a CIO in the public sector to qualify)
- o Tech Educator of the Year (Must be a teacher, administrator, counselor, etc.)
- o Tech Woman of the Year (Must be a woman in technology)
- o Public Leader of the Year (Must be a current or former public official)
- Beacon Award (Outstanding Achievement) (Must be a distinguished leader who's made a significant impact in the state's tech sector)

EMPLOYEE AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following information is REQUIRED for TECHNOLOGY CORPORATE AWARDS and is ENCOURAGED for USE OF TECHNOLOGY AWARDS. The information is only shared with our independent audit partner (Cherry Bekaert) for qualifying purposes.

Employee Information

- o Total North Carolina Employee Count: 2018 2020
- o Total Worldwide Employee Count 2018 2020

Financial Information

- o Annual Revenue Last, Previous and Next Previous Fiscal Year
- o Total Income Before Taxes Last, Previous and Next Previous Fiscal Year

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL)

- Please list any other industry awards and accolades that the company/organization/individual has received.
- Provide any links the Selection Committee would find useful in making their decision for company/organization/individual (e.g. recent media clippings, video, or company marketing materials.)
- o Upload Supporting Documents
- Covid-19 Impact (Optional): Please provide insights you'd like the selection committee to consider on how the pandemic has impacted your organization's workplace, staffing, operations, sales, etc.

Questions? Contact Rachel Kennedy at <u>rachel@nctech.org</u>. Learn more about the NC TECH Awards at <u>nctech.org/awards</u>.