

The National Small Business Awards is a highlight of [National Small Business Week](#) every year. During [two ceremonies](#) that kicked off the National Small Business Week, the [SBA](#) named the [National Small Business Person of the Year](#) and recognized [recipients](#) for their excellence in entrepreneurship, exporting, federal contracting, lending, and disaster recovery from a pool of national nominees. Congratulations to the 2019 national winners as well as all the [state and territory winners](#).

## National Small Business Person(s) of the Year

### 2019 National Small Business Person of the Year

Jennifer Herbert, CEO and Jeff Herbert, CSO

[Superstition Meadery, LLC](#) (Prescott, AZ)

### First Runner-up

Brad Barber, CEO and Angie Barber, COO

[Cabin Coffee](#) (Clear Lake, IA)

### Second Runner-up

Bert Ortiz, Founder/Co-owner, President/CEO

AVMAC LLC (Chesapeake, VA)

## National Small Business Awardees

### 8(a) Graduate of the Year

[Prairie Quest Consulting](#) (Fort Wayne, IN)

Stacey Smith, CEO

2019 Phoenix Award for Outstanding Contributions to Disaster Recovery by a Public Official

[Linda Parks - Ventura County Supervisor, District 2](#) (Thousand Oaks, CA)

2019 Phoenix Award for Outstanding Contributions to Disaster Recovery by a Volunteer

Christine Nieves Rodriguez and Luis Rodriguez Sanchez, Volunteers/Co-Founders

[Proyecto de Apoyo Mutuo Mariana](#) (PAM) (Mariana Mutual Support Project) (Humacao, PR)

2019 Phoenix Award for Outstanding Small Business Disaster Recovery

Stephanie Vitori, President

[Cheeseburger Baby](#) (Miami Beach, FL)

Dwight D. Eisenhower Award – Construction Category

[Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.](#) (Alpharetta, GA)

Ann E. Massey, CEO

Dwight D. Eisenhower Award – Manufacturing

[Oshkosh Defense, LLC](#) (Oshkosh, WI)

Bridgette Lorrigan-Schuh, Small Business Liaison Manager; Alyssa Hopfensperger, Small Business Liaison Associate; and Travis Schmuhl, Vice President, Global Procurement & Supply Chain

Dwight D. Eisenhower Award – R&D

[Jet Propulsion Laboratory](#) (Pasadena, CA)

Felicia Aileen Bell, Manager, Small Business Programs Office

Dwight D. Eisenhower Award – Services

[Booz Allen Hamilton](#) (McLean, VA)

Linda Asher, Vice President, Financial Services and Lynn Livengood, Manager, Small Business Office

Exporter of the Year

[EarthQuaker Devices](#) (Akron, OH)

Julianne Marie Robbins, CEO and Jamie R. Stillman, Founder, President, Product Designer

Jody C. Raskind Microlender of the Year

[Colorado Enterprise Fund](#) (Denver, CO)

Ceyl Prinster, CFA, President and Chief Executive Officer

National Small Business Prime Contractor of the Year

[Medved Global, Inc.](#) (Dolores, CO)

Michelle Hicks, President

National Small Business Subcontractor of the Year

[Admiral Engineering & Manufacturing Company, Inc.](#) (Phoenix, AZ)

Jennifer Rahn, President

SCORE

[Portland, Maine Chapter](#) (Portland, ME)

Nancy Strojny, Chapter Chair

Small Business Development Center – Excellence and Innovation Award

[Ohio SBDC at Youngstown State University](#) (Youngstown, OH)

Patricia Veisz, Director

Small Business Investment Company

[Eagle Fund III, LP](#) (St. Louis, MO)

Wayne L. Smith II, Managing Director

Veterans Business Outreach Center

[Gulf Coast State College](#) (Panama City, FL)

Brenton Peacock, Associate Director

Women’s Business Center

[Montana Women’s Business Center at Prospera Business Network](#) (Bozeman, MT)

Suzi Berget White, Director

You can learn more about this year’s national award winners from the [National Small Business Week Awards Program](#).

## Resources

Interested in starting your own business or looking to grow your existing business? [Find Your Local Small Business Development Center](#) for no-cost business advice and free or low-cost trainings.

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