

WOMEN OF THE YEAR AWARD CATEGORIES



ARTS & CULTURE

Any woman who contributes in creative arts or preserves the rich culture of Cass and Clay counties so that life here is immensely richer. She inspires an interest in local arts and culture while advocating for its preservation.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Women will be considered from all levels in the business world: business owners, managers, employees, and entrepreneurs. Nominees may be employed by profit or nonprofit organizations and serve as role models of passion, big thinking, taking risks, and getting it done.

COMMUNICATIONS

Women who color outside the lines and weave masterful stories through marketing, advertising, and/or public relations. Women who inspire others through innovation while representing women as a powerful force in the field of communications.

COMMUNITY & VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Any woman who has graciously volunteered her time to make a difference in our community or has impacted others through public service. She pours energy into a cause and draws out the passion in others.

EDUCATION

Women who shape the future working as teachers, administrators, or support staff in child care, elementary, secondary, higher education, non-traditional settings, or community education. They nurture, empower, and spark their students to be more, do more, and serve more.

FAITH COMMUNITY

This woman has made a significant contribution in bringing the mission and vision of the faith community to life by invigorating others to do ministry through her leadership.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Any woman working in physical, mental, or spiritual health who empowers the whole person through her energy, adaptability, and prevention efforts.

LEADER IN WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT (BUSINESS)

This business or organization has proven remarkable dedication to advance women by empowering them to thrive socially, economically, and professionally.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Any woman who thrives on technology, engineering, and/or science and uses her talents to improve our community while actively mentoring other women to join these important fields.

YOUNG WOMAN OF TODAY & TOMORROW

This young woman is creating a brighter future for us all. She has demonstrated exceptional leadership, scholastic ability, volunteer service, or made bold achievements (ages 15-22).

YOUTH ADVOCACY

Any woman who is an advocate for the health and well-being of youth; either by engaging in advocacy efforts on behalf of youth or working directly to make the future better and brighter by equipping our young people.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT (FLORENCE REED OWENS AWARD)

This woman must have the wisdom of 55+ years and have demonstrated a long-term commitment to equality, empowering women and girls, and/or eliminating racism. She exemplifies integrity and displays compassion for humanity.

