



**GREATER IBERIA IMPACT AWARDS
Application Form**

Annually, the Greater Iberia Chamber of Commerce recognizes business development (growth/expansion) and business diversification. The purpose of the business IMPACT awards is to recognize and promote our community's culture of innovation and entrepreneurialism and to celebrate the business success in our community.

For consideration of this award, some facet of the nominated business must be physically located in the Iberia region. Current membership in the Greater Iberia Chamber of Commerce is not required, but preferred. It is anticipated that awards will be given recognizing one or more of these aspects of business development--outstanding business development (growth/expansion), products/services diversification and/or innovation.

Completed applications must be received in the Chamber office no later October 29, 2015, 2:00 PM. Award recipients will be notified in early January. Award presentation will be made at the Chamber's Annual Banquet tentatively scheduled for Thursday, January 21, 2016. Please limit information/narrative provided to three typed pages. You may attach additional information (pictures, videos, etc.) to be reviewed by the review committee; however, no applications or attachments will be returned. Projects established within the last three years are eligible for submission. Application review committee may include local, regional and state economic developers. Businesses may submit an application on their own behalf.

Contact Information:

Business Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email Address: _____ **Website:** _____

Name of person nominating business *if different from above:* _____

Nominator's best phone contact: _____ **Email address:** _____

Please Select Category of Interest:

- Business Development (Growth/Expansion expressed by increases in revenue and/or employees, etc.)
- Diversification of Products/Services
- Innovation (a new service, a product, a new way of doing business)

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1. Please provide a brief description of the product/service diversification or business expansion including a brief timeline of the project..

 2. What challenges were the changes in your business model designed to address? (Why did you expand or diversify?)

3. Do you or your company hold, have applied for , or have been approved for a patent, trademark, service mark in relationship to this change in the business?

4. How has the growth/expansion or product/service diversification impacted your industry or other industries? (The industry impact may be measured in increased efficiencies, shorter shipping times, less carbon foot print, technology transfer from one industry to another, new products for fabrication processes, etc.)

5. Describe the general economic impact of this change in your way of doing business. (The economic impact may be measured in percentage of increased revenue/sales, increase in number of jobs, addition of higher paying jobs, etc.)

6. Describe the anticipated future impact of this change/ addition in your way of doing business.

Endorsement

Required: I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements and calculations contained herein accurately reflect the Circumstances reported.

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return completed application to:

Greater Iberia Impact Awards
c/o Greater Iberia Chamber of Commerce
111 West Main Street; New Iberia, LA 705060

Additional questions contact:

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Deadline October 29, 2015; 2:00 PM