



DOWNTOWN FIRST AWARDS

Past Winners

OUTSTANDING LARGE BUSINESS

- 2024** Investment Real Estate Group of Companies
- 2023** White Rose Restaurant Group (Rockfish, Valencia, White Rose B&G)
- 2022** Site Design Concepts
- 2021** Warehaus
- 2020** Barley Snyder
- 2019** York Traditions Bank
- 2018** Rite Aid
- 2017** Murphy & Dittenhafer
- 2016** Fulton Bank
- 2015** CGA Law Firm
- 2014** LSC Design
- 2013** Glatfelter Insurance Group
- 2012** Susquehanna Real Estate
- 2011** York Revolution
- 2010** M&T Bank
- 2009** White Rose Bar & Grill

- 2008** Yorktowne Hotel
 - 2007** C.S. Davidson
 - 2006** Stock and Leader
 - 2005** Yorktowne Hotel
 - 2004** Beard Miller Company
 - 2002** Beard Miller Company
 - 2001** Stock and Leader
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OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER (RENAMED THE CHANGE MAKER AWARD IN 2020)

- 2024** Joan Mummert
- 2023** Vlonda Kears
- 2022** Don Carn
- 2021** Commissioner Michael Muldrow
- 2020** Arlette Morales & Tzipporah Goins
- 2019** Douglas Knight
- 2018** JJ Sheffer
- 2017** Jack Kay
- 2016** Joe Jefcoat
- 2015** Patrick Sells
- 2014** Philip Given
- 2013** Melissa Grove
- 2012** Mary Yeaple
- 2011** Alex Chiaruttini
- 2010** Gary Sonke
- 2009** Linda Davidson

- 2008 John Klinedinst, C.S. Davidson
 - 2007 Emily Leckvarcik
 - 2006 Linda Amos
 - 2005 Fran Keller
 - 2004 Linda Oatman
 - 2002 Fran Keller
 - 2001 Charlie Rupp
 - 2000 Jean Fix
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OUTSTANDING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

- 2024 YWCA York
- 2023 Keystone Kidspace
- 2022 William C. Goodridge Freedom Center & Underground Railroad Museum
- 2021 Rainbow Rose Center
- 2020 York County Food Bank
- 2019 Martin Library
- 2018 Stick N Move Boxing
- 2017 York College of PA
- 2016 York Rescue Mission
- 2015 Leadership York
- 2014 Cultural Alliance of York County
- 2013 Strand-Capitol PAC
- 2012 The Women's Giving Circle

- 2011 Family First Health
 - 2010 Cultural Alliance of York County
 - 2009 York County EDC/IDA
 - 2008 York County Heritage Trust
 - 2007 Martin Library
 - 2006 YMCA of York & York County
 - 2005 York Young Professionals
 - 2004 YorkArts
 - 2002 Strand-Capitol PAC
 - 2001 YorkArts
 - 2000 Martin Library
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OUTSTANDING SMALL BUSINESS

This award was retired in 2023 and replaced by the Outstanding Business of each microdistrict Award.

- 2022 The Boys' Barking Bakery
- 2021 Grace Manor B&B
- 2020 Victrola Dance Hall
- 2019 McCallister and Meyers
- 2018 Weary Arts Group
- 2017 Liquid Hero Brewery
- 2016 Didi & Smiling John's
- 2015 Richard R. Reilly Attorney at Law
- 2014 Rudy Art Glass
- 2013 Central Market
- 2012 Just Cupcakes

- 2011** ROCK Commercial Real Estate
 - 2010** The Susquehanna Photographic
 - 2009** Sherman Property Management
 - 2008** Kimman's
 - 2007** Mezzogiorno
 - 2006** Sam & Tony's
 - 2005** White Rose Bar & Grill
 - 2004** Sir Speedy Printing
 - 2002** Sara's Garden
 - 2001** Bailey Travel Service
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OUTSTANDING NEW BUSINESS OR MERCHANT

This award was retired in 2023 and replaced by the Outstanding Business of each microdistrict Award.

- 2022** Our Sons & Daughters
- 2021** m.elene Vintage
- 2020** Wise Sauce
- 2019** Aurora's Bakery
- 2018** Revival Social Club
- 2017** House of Yoga
- 2016** Pedi Cabs of York
- 2015** BrewVino
- 2014** i-ron-ic
- 2013** Arthur & Daughters
- 2012** The Copper Crust

- 2011** YorKitchen
 - 2010** York Y-Fi
 - 2009** Wagman Construction, Inc.
 - 2008** Moxie Design & Marketing
 - 2007** The Resource Group
 - 2006** National Grille
 - 2005** Integrity Bank
 - 2004** Inside Out Consulting
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OUTSTANDING MERCHANT (RETAIL OR RESTAURANT)

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- 2022** Hamir's Indian Fusion
- 2021** My Girlfriend's Wardrobe
- 2020** Pippi's Pen Shoppe
- 2019** Molly's Courtyard Café
- 2018** The New Hub Store
- 2017** Holy Hound Taproom
- 2016** York City Pretzel Company
- 2015** Cherie Anne Designs
- 2014** The Watchmaker's Daughter
- 2013** The Left Bank
- 2012** Esaan
- 2011** Sunrise Soap
- 2010** The York Emporium
- 2009** Yorktowne Hotel

- 2008** White Rose Bar & Grill
 - 2007** City Art Studio Gallery
 - 2006** Don't Throw Stones
 - 2005** City Art Studio Gallery
 - 2004** Hantz House Tea Room
 - 2002** Hantz House Tea Room
 - 2001** Kathryn's Place
 - 2000** Sam & Tony's
 - 2000** Susquehanna Pfaltzgraff
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OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL WITHIN A COMPANY OR ORGANIZATION

- 2024** Tiff Lowe
- 2023** Jason Phillips
- 2022** Tavon Parker
- 2021** Pastor Bill Kerney
- 2020** Dr. Felicia Dennis, Felicia's Tae Kwon Do Studio LLC & Call to Action Worldwide, Felicia's Movement Campaign
- 2019** Jose Santiago, New American Welcome Center
- 2018** Kate Harmon, The Parliament
- 2017** Jim Gross, City of York
- 2016** Glenn Smith, York County
- 2015** Aeman Bashir, YorKitchen
- 2014** Jeff Hines, York Water Company

- 2013** Benjamin Chiaro, ROCK Commercial Real Estate
 - 2012** George Anthony, Susquehanna Commerce Center
 - 2011** Blanda Nace, YCEDC
 - 2010** Kim Trone, Stock and Leader, LLC
 - 2009** Kelley Gibson, Inside Out Creative
 - 2008** Eric Menzer, Wagman Construction, Inc.
 - 2007** Henry Nixon, York Symphony Orchestra
 - 2006** Tom Landis, City of York
 - 2005** Mary Yeaple, York St. Patrick's Day Parade
 - 2002** Kelley Gibson, Drivers Bank
 - 2001** Joan O'Keefe
 - 2000** Mary Yeaple, York St. Patrick's Day Parade
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BETTER YORK BEAUTIFICATION AWARD

- 2024** The Rotary Club of York and City of York
- 2023** Richard Reilly, Esq.
- 2022** Corey Wolfe
- 2021** Cornerstone Barbershop
- 2020** Penn Street Art Bridge
- 2019** Ron Boyd

- 2018** Iron Horse/Yohn Property Management
 - 2017** Garden Club of York
 - 2016** Punks for Positivity
 - 2015** Royal Square Development Group
 - 2014** Ralph Serpe
 - 2013** York Academy Regional Charter School
 - 2012** North George Street Alliance
 - 2011** Garden Club of York
 - 2010** Keller Williams Keystone Realty
 - 2009** York County Community Foundation
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OUTSTANDING BUSINESS: MARKET DISTRICT

- 2024** Hefty Lefty's Hoagies and Grinders
 - 2023** Refillism
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OUTSTANDING BUSINESS: ROYAL SQUARE DISTRICT

- 2024** Picalonga
- 2023** The Dark Parlour

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS: WECO DISTRICT

- 2024** Gather 256
- 2023** Caraballo Sisters

LOUIS J. AND JODY D. APPELL LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- 2023** Jack Kay & Jane Conover
- 2014** Linda Davidson
- 2012** Bill & Judy Simpson
- 2010** Louis & Jody Appell

100+ YEARS IN DOWNTOWN YORK RECOGNITION AWARD

- 2024** Central Market York
Schaefer Flowers
C.S. Davidson, Inc.
Kleppers Security Source
Penn Market
The York Water Company