

33rd Annual

2020

Community Awards

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Chandler Chamber Community
Awards in its entirety.***



Chandler Chamber Board Chair



**Molly Bell, GoDaddy
Chandler Chamber Board Chair**

While the unforeseen circumstances of COVID-19 have put all of us to the test, the Chandler Chamber of Commerce Community Awards honors our businesses, educators, first responders and community members that make me proud to be a member of the Chandler Chamber and our community. We celebrate the businesses that sustain strong work ethics along with supporting their employees, peers and competitors in these difficult times. We honor our first responders that put their lives on the line to protect our community and keep us healthy. We pay tribute to our educators that got thrown a real curveball this year, but have emerged true to their calling with passion and conviction. Congratulations to all of the winners, we are proud to honor your accomplishments and appreciate your service.

Chandler Chamber President/CEO



**Terri Kimble, Chandler Chamber
President/CEO**

The Chandler Chamber Community Awards has always been one of my favorite events of the year. While I will miss seeing all our honorees in person, putting this year's virtual event together was special in its own way. So many of our members came together to support each other with an 'all-for-one' attitude that I think it really bonded our community together. Even virtually, I see relationships and partnerships being created and nurtured. Business has truly met community and the outcome is inspiring. Congratulations to all our winners. You are all champions of Chandler and for that we offer our greatest appreciation.

Ambassador of the Year



Robert Sinkule
Yoga's Arc

Robert Sinkule is the Co-Founder and CFO of Yoga's Arc and has been an active member of the Chandler Chamber of Commerce for 8 years. Robert is currently serving his 2nd consecutive year as the Chairman of the Ambassador Program and still enjoys mentoring the new businesses that join the Chamber. Even virtually, Robert can be seen at Chamber events, including the Ostrich Festival. He has also hosted free events in Downtown Chandler "Yoga in the Park", and "Yoga on the Square".

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Business Diversity in Action Award



Dr. William Crawford III
D.W. Consulting Group

Dr. William Crawford was with the Maricopa County Community College District for over 24 years. Dr. Crawford now serves as the Senior Vice President for Educational Services with the D.W. Consulting Group - a minority owned small business in Chandler. He is also a part-time faculty member with Northern Arizona University. Prior to his Education career, Dr. Crawford was employed by the Phoenix Police Department where he held numerous leadership positions and served with distinction for over 23 years. He is actively involved in community and Chamber programs, serving as Co-Chair of the Chamber's Diversity and Inclusion Committee; President of the Arizona Justice Educators Association.

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Educator of the Year



Megan Vogus
Basha Elementary School

Megan Vogus with Basha Elementary School has been teaching in Chandler for 20 years, either as a traveling music teacher or the full time music teacher at Basha Elementary. She is certified in the Orff-Schulwerk process, encouraging children's joyful imagination and musical spirit. For 8 years Megan has coordinated the Chandler Unified School District Elementary Choral Festival, bringing school choirs from all over CUSD together to sing and learn. Her choir at Basha Elementary brings her unparalleled joy, and she can think of no better job to have than to make music with children.

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Administrator of the Year



Dr. Kymberly Marshall
Chandler Unified School District

Dr. Marshall is the current executive Director of Student Services in the Chandler Unified School District. She has always been passionate about students with disabilities - advocating for their needs in the public school setting. This passion stems from her younger brother, Bradley, born with down's syndrome. Bradley has made a huge impact on her and her family's lives with all of them involved in Arizona Special Olympics. Kym is a dynamic leader in the area of special educational services, and is often relied upon for helping others develop their skills in this area.

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Support Staff of the Year



Sheila Boyns
CTA Freedom Elementary School

Sheila Boyns is a Para Professional at CTA Freedom Elementary School. She is an 8 year veteran at CUSD in the Special Education Program. She truly loves her students and her work. Sheila also works part-time with the City of Chandler in the Therapeutic recreation department, assisting children, teens and young adults with developmental disabilities in various sports and activities. She credits her 3 adult sons for being her support system throughout the years sharing her motto with them, "In everything you do, do your best and God will do the rest!"

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Red Apple Award



Victor Serna
Seton Catholic Preparatory

Victor Serna was appointed principal of Seton Catholic Preparatory by Bishop Thomas Olmsted in 2017. Above all, Victor views his role as a principal, as a ministry to his Church and he feels blessed to be in this position of leadership. Victor is very involved with the Chandler Chamber's programs and continues to strengthen the relationships between local educational partners and the business community. During this past year, Victor has worked tirelessly to ensure the safety of his students and faculty throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring that necessary precautions are always being taken.

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Chandler Chamber
Community Foundation

The Chandler Chamber Community Foundation's main focus is to enhance the business community and develop future leaders through educational events and programs. The Chandler Chamber Community Foundation also offers scholarships for our Chandler-Gilbert Community College students. The Chandler Chamber Community Foundation Leadership Institute develops Chandler's leaders. The main goal is to educate upcoming leaders or individuals in the local community, helping them to become aware of everything Chandler has to offer, all while learning different leadership skills. Donating to the Chandler Chamber Community Foundation assures continued support of scholarships for deserving applicants at or entering Chandler-Gilbert Community College.

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Chandler Chamber Community Foundation Leadership Institute

Dream Big



Be Unstoppable

The purpose of the Chandler Chamber Community Foundation's Leadership Institute is to provide businesses and community members an opportunity to learn about issues facing our community, develop skills required by community leaders and motivate participants to become involved in leadership roles in service to Chandler. As Chandler grows, so do the needs of its citizenry. Chandler Chamber Leadership Institute offers its attendees a broad range of experiences and insights about the city: its needs and services. The program educates approximately 30 participants annually. To date, the Chamber has a roster of 1,300+ graduates who are serving in leadership roles in organizations across the East Valley.

Scholarship Recipient



Michael DiMatteo

Michael DiMatteo is a graduate of Perry High School and will be attending Chandler-Gilbert Community College in the fall of 2020. He hopes to enter a career in sales or as a business analyst, possibly in the sports field. After acquiring his degree, Michael would like to stay here in Arizona to give back to his community in some way. He is excited to take various classes at Chandler Gilbert Community College to help him narrow down his interests and fine tune his future path into the workforce.

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**Lieutenant Shawn Hancock
Chandler Police Department**

Lt. Shawn Hancock is a former President of the Chandler Law Enforcement Association, and has participated in the Relationships by Objective initiative for 10 years. He is an accomplished instructor and was awarded for advancing the Chandler P.D. training program. When promoted to Lieutenant in 2014, he led both patrol and Special Operations sections and launched the Chandler Police Leadership Cohort, which serves emerging leaders across all City of Chandler departments. Shawn strives to make a difference volunteering his time to work with the DARE program, Habitat for Humanity, and now ICAN for six years, where he serves as board chair. He is currently a member of the Chandler Chamber Community Foundation Leadership Institute. Shawn believes that taking time to positively impact someone's life is the best part of his job.

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Chandler Cup (Mayor's Choice)



In the past few years, the Douglas Allred Company has completed multiple significant leases in Chandler at the Park Place Development. Some of these leases include Northrop Grumman (633K sq. ft.), Voya Financial (150K sq. ft.), Allstate (150K sq. ft.), CVS Health (98K sq. ft.), Toyota Financial (63K sq. ft.) and LoanDepot (53K sq. ft.). The Douglas Allred Company has been making a continued investment in Chandler providing future employment opportunities with new office buildings. Chandler's ability to develop talent locally and attract talent from around the world is a significant factor in the continued corporate site selection momentum the Douglas Allred Company has led.

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Community Cup



Chandler-Gilbert Community College puts the 'community' in community college - not just a place for students to learn, offering over 70 degree and certificate programs, but a resourceful anchor in the community. As an academic community, they are devoted to public service - guided by: Innovation, Exploration, Sustainability, Engagement and Inclusiveness. Pitching in to help with the COVID-19 crisis, while their campuses are closed, the Chandler campus parking lot serves as a COVID-19 drive-through testing site. Chandler-Gilbert Community College is also very involved in the Chandler Chamber Education and Workforce Development Coalition, keeping a pulse on the workforce needs of the

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Chamber Cup



Mary Kaye Allen

For over 8 years, the name Mary Kaye Allen has been synonymous with the front desk of the Chandler Chamber. Her smiling face has greeted Chamber members, the community, dignitaries and visitors, always with a friendly demeanor, a kind word and an offer of assistance. Her life before the Chamber was in higher education, namely with Chandler-Gilbert Community College. She collaborated with executive leadership in the development of effective programs. She helped create a program in Sun Lakes called New Adventures in Learning for Seniors, which was very successful. Mary Kaye demonstrates a strong work ethic and high moral standards which transcends everyone who meets her. This incredible lady has been in her way, one of the mighty pillars that holds the Chandler Chamber up as an example of optimistic strength, and integrity.

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Veterans Advocate



With over 40 years of global leadership in the aviation maintenance repair and overhaul business, TurbineAero has made over 210,000 repairs. The company proudly supports and actively recruits military veterans with over 70% of their employees coming from the military. The Chandler facility highlights their military staff with a "Veteran Wall of Fame" which includes the employee's photo, name, rank and branch of service. TurbineAero recognizes, honors and utilizes the discipline, skill and experience that military veterans bring to the civilian workforce and is officially designated as a Military Friendly® Employer.

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Micro Business of the Year



Sally Putnam with NOW Financial has been a member of the Chandler Chamber for over 8 years displaying incredible Chamber support and leadership. Right after joining, she started getting involved. She attended events, and eventually took on the role as a leads group facilitator. After joining the Ambassador committee she rose to Chair that program, and sponsored the 'Ambassador of the Month' program for over a year. She has consistently volunteered for the Chamber's Ostrich Festival, year after year. Even though Cornhole may not be her game, she sponsored and played in the Chamber's first Cornhole Tournament. Sally believes advocacy is important in business and serves on the Chamber's Good Government committee, chairing it in 2020 and was instrumental in its virtual conversion this year. Sally actively supports non-profits in the community like the Exchange Club of Chandler and currently serves on the Chamber Board of Directors.

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Small Business of the Year



Jerry Sanniec is the owner of Laser Creations, a one-stop shop for promotional items. He has been a member of the Chandler Chamber since 2009. As a member, he has supported and donated signage for the Chamber golf tournaments as well as the Cornhole tournaments. He has been the long-time sponsor for the Chamber's Ribbon Cuttings. Jerry has been a Chamber Ambassador and his employees have been involved in the lead/referral groups. Jerry serves on the Chamber's Good Government Committee, the Ostrich Festival Committee, and is currently serving on the Chamber Board of Directors. He believes in business serving the community and is active in the Exchange Club of Chandler.

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Medium Business of the Year



Chandler-based AvAir is a global leader in the aviation aftermarket offering tailored solutions for customers for over 26 million in-stock aircraft parts. They have been acknowledged locally, nationally and globally for giving back to the community, and for sustainability. The Chandler facility is powered primarily with clean solar energy. Earlier this year, AvAir gave each of its employees a bonus to spend at small businesses in their local communities. In May 2020, AvAir celebrated its 20th anniversary. Over the last 20 years, the company has maintained an 88% employee retention rate, which speaks to the positive environment that has been cultivated since its inception.

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Large Business of the Year



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SRP was founded more than a hundred years ago by Valley residents to secure federal loans to build Roosevelt Dam. This resulted in a reliable water source and ultimately, the electricity that fuels Arizona growth. Today, as a community-based nonprofit utility, SRP continues to make forward-thinking decisions and contributions. SRP contributed 1 million dollars to Wildfire, providing critical services to Arizona individuals and families. They donated over \$1.35 million to those experiencing hardships as a result of the coronavirus outbreak along with employee contributions totaling over \$52,000 assisting customers struggling to pay their utility bills. This is the spirit of SRP. Their customers are their primary focus leading to several community service programs such as "Train the Trainer" and "Classroom Connections. In 2019, SRP volunteers spent nearly 53,000 hours serving over 213 nonprofits, many of them in Chandler, with their Dollars for Doers program. AS SRP moves forward, they realize the value of sustaining strategic relationships with business, while constantly nurturing the communities they serve.

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