



SBA Small Business Community of the Year Award

The U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) Richmond District Office will present the first annual SBA Small Business Community of the Year Award at the Small Business Week Awards luncheon on Monday, June 24, at The Westin Richmond.

Rather than the SBA identifying the top small business community based on its support of small business, we want to hear from you directly. **Tell us what YOUR COMMUNITY** (defined as a city, town, county, planning district) **is doing to support small business.** The winner will be selected by officials from the SBA and its resource partners, the Small Business Development Center, SCORE, Women's Business Centers and the Veteran's Business Outreach Center.

Please answer the following three questions regarding your community's support of small business:

- 1) Identify key programs and incentives that your community has implemented to attract and retain small businesses.
- 2) Briefly describe a recent small business success story in which your community contributed to its success.
- 3) Describe how your community has leveraged its economic development resources with other federal, state, county and local programs to benefit your local small business community.

Deadline for nominations is COB Friday, March 29, 2013. Limit your responses to a maximum of two pages. Please email, fax or mail the nomination to:

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