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U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Announces the 2019 Small Business Champion of the Year for New Hampshire



Robert (Bob) Stanley of Merrimack Valley Chapter of SCORE

CONCORD, NH – Bob spent his working career in the insurance industry. He was a safety advisor, methods & systems manager and a project manager implementing insurance rating software. In retirement, Bob was looking to give back using his extensive background in business and found his local SCORE Chapter. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) that provides mentoring and training to small business around the country. In NH, the SBA has over 200 members providing their services in numerous locations around the state. Bob has held many internal roles at SCORE over the years. Bob is a certified mentor and he has served many clients throughout the years. Working with both start up entrepreneurs and existing businesses alike he assists them in many aspects of their business. He sustains a large customer base and has maintained long-term relationships with most of his clients where he helps clients avoid common mistakes, provides guidance and helps solve problems.

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Bob serves as the Assistant District Director of district 189, New Hampshire. In this role, he provides support to all the district chapters. His home chapter is Merrimack Valley SCORE where Bob is a co-chair of the chapter workshop program and member of their executive committee. For the past year Bob has been serving as the temporary chair of SCORE Lakes Region. Bob served on the National committee to develop and install the current SCORE website, [SCORE.org](https://www.score.org), and installed the local websites at three New Hampshire chapters. Bob is considered the go to person to answer questions about the organization's CRM, Client Outcomes & Relationship Engagements system (CORE).

Bob's important contributions to the local business community and connections he makes has earned him a reputation for going above and beyond the scope of his job to find workable solutions for his clients. He believes that the innovative entrepreneurs build strong businesses and contribute to a thriving local economy and the vibrant communities in New Hampshire.

Warren Haggerty, Economic Development Specialist of the NH SBA Office in Concord, nominated Bob, and stated, "Without doubt, Bob Stanley is a deserving candidate for the award of Small Business Champion. Bob works tirelessly to assist small business owners through the SCORE organization that he has been a member for 10 years."

Greta Johansson, District Director of the SBA added, "Bob has demonstrated exceptional energy and a progressive attitude that has led to a tremendous impact on small businesses throughout the Merrimack Valley Region."

Award winners will be honored at an annual small business week celebration sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration – NH District Office and the NH Banker's Association that will be held on Tuesday evening, May 21st at the Derryfield Country Club in Manchester. Visit nhbankers.com for more information and online registration.

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