

The San Fernando Valley Business Journal presents

SMALL BUSINESS LEADERSHIP AWARDS 2012



On October 17, the San Fernando Valley Business Journal hosted the Small Business Leadership Awards at the Warner Center Marriott with 280 attendees.

Publisher's Letter



We're proud to recognize outstanding achievements by small businesses for their success, longevity, impact to the communities they serve, innovation and leadership. As the backbone of commerce throughout the greater San Fernando Valley region, they create amazing products and provide outstanding services to consumers and other businesses alike.

We designed this program to examine small businesses and pay tribute to the leaders running their organizations. We received over 100 nominations and were thoroughly impressed with the success stories that were being told. The Business Journal had the daunting task of narrowing the list to just 35 Finalists to present to our advisory committee.

At our Small Business Leadership Awards luncheon, held on October 17th, we announced winners in seven award categories – Best Small Business with fewer than 10 employees, Best Small Business with between 10 and 25 employees, Best Small Business with more than 25 employees, Most Impressive Fast-Growing Small Business, Small Business Leadership,

Small Business Leadership through Advocacy and our Small Business Longevity Award. Their impressive business success stories, along with our finalists' stories, are told within the pages of this special supplement to the San Fernando Valley Business Journal.

I want to thank the members of our advisory committee: James Hillman and Spencer Gould of BNY Mellon Wealth Management, Evelin Martinez of Wells Fargo, David Rosso of Community Bank, Don St. Clair of Woodbury University, and Keith Todd Zimmet of Lewitt, Hackman, Shapiro, Marshall & Harlan.

Congratulations to each and every one of our award nominees, finalists and honorees for their commitment to excellence, commitment to their employees and commitment to serving the San Fernando Valley community.

Best regards,

Josh Schimmels
Associate Publisher

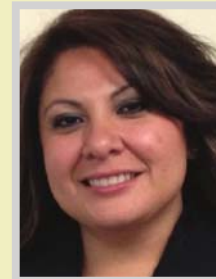
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