

The **Outstanding Corporate Achievement Award** is given annually by the Ontario Credit Union Foundation to a member credit union in recognition of their contribution to the community.

Criteria:

We recognize those whose investment in the community is above normal expectations in one or more of the following ways:

- A single project or program supported financially or otherwise during the preceding year,
- An ongoing pattern or record of community investment continuing over an extended period through to and including the preceding calendar year,
- A major new activity, program or commitment started during the preceding calendar year.

The recipient organization must be a member of the Ontario Credit Union Foundation.

The Award:

The Foundation can designate one Award winner each year:

- A representative of the receiving organization will be invited to accept the award at the OCUF Annual General Meeting. (May 22nd, 2025 virtually)
- The organization may share a 5-minute presentation (video, speech, etc.) should they wish.

Nomination Process and Judging:

- Please use the accompanying nomination format. The submission must be signed by both the nominator (who typically is an employee of the organization) and either the chair/president of the Board or the CEO/manager of the organization.
- The nominator may attach additional supporting information if the nomination form is completed.
- Nominations can be emailed to rea@ocuf.org or mailed to Ontario Credit Union Foundation, 9 Russell St, Hamilton, ON L8V1J4. Submission must be received by the Foundation by **4:00 pm on April 18, 2025**
- The OCUF Board of Directors will judge submissions. Their decision will be based on the information supplied. If a Director is a member/employee of a nominated organization, they will declare a conflict of interest and not participate in the adjudication.
- Organizations of any asset size may receive this award.

Thank you for helping us recognize outstanding contributions made by member credit unions in their communities.



Nomination Form

Nominated Organization: _____

Name of Nominator: _____

Relationship of nominator to organization nominated: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email _____

Declarations: This nomination is acknowledged and sanctioned by the organization being nominated as evidenced by the signature of the chair/president of the Board of Directors or the CEO/general manager of the organization as well as the nominator.

(Signature of Chair/President/CEO/Manager)

(Signature of Nominator)

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- 1) Describe your community investment against one or more of our criteria** (a single project or program supported during the preceding year, an ongoing pattern of community investment over an extended period through to and including the preceding calendar year, and or a major new activity, program or commitment started during the preceding calendar year). Think of this response as your “story telling” to the AGM audience.
 - 2) What is the impact on the community of your investment?**
 - 3) Given the varying size of organizations nominated, why do you feel your investment is meaningful relative to your size?** (Include monetary and non-monetary elements)
 - 4) Has the organization received formal recognition?** (i.e. newspaper, media, etc. if so, please provide examples)
 - 5) Is there any other information you feel the Foundation directors should know or would help them compare your community investment efforts to others?** If yes, please attach.

Submissions are due no later than 4 pm April 18, 2025

