

# DCBIA Young Leaders Award Nomination Form 2026

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU VIEW ALL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM.

YOU ALSO HAVE THE OPTION OF SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION IN WORD FORM TO: [INFO@DCBIA.ORG](mailto:INFO@DCBIA.ORG). PLEASE ENSURE ALL APPLICABLE QUESTIONS ARE ANSWERED.

Nominations are now being accepted for the DCBIA Young Leader Award.

DCBIA's Young Leader Award will be awarded to recognize a professional who has positively impacted the DC real estate development industry through leadership and service. The rising star will have demonstrated a commitment to the real estate development industry and have the potential for substantial and lasting influence with DCBIA and upon Washington, DC.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

We seek individuals who bring innovative ideas to their company/organization(s), find solutions to complex real estate development industry problems, and give their time generously to larger DC community causes.

Nominees must be DCBIA members in good standing and actively engaged in DCBIA activities. Strong candidates will have demonstrated leadership within industry associations, including DCBIA, such as participating in committees, speaking at events, mentoring young professionals, or contributing to advocacy efforts. Engagement in other professional organizations related to real estate development is also highly regarded.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

To be considered for this Award, a nominee:

- Must work for a DCBIA member company, firm, or entity
- Must work on projects in the District of Columbia
- Must possess a growing level of responsibility in their present area of expertise/specialization for 5 years or more
- Show passion and have made significant contributions to their company, department, unit, institution, and/or organization and to the real estate development community as a whole
- Have engaged in activities such as:
  - o Demonstrated leadership, motivation, commitment to the organization or business's success, positive attitude, initiative, and perseverance
  - o Organized or led an activity or range of activities or services within their company or organization that promote economic development
  - o Demonstrated innovation in their area of specialization
  - o Engaged in community or service-related volunteer activities
- Shows promise in making further contributions to the field of real estate development

as a leader

- Must be 40 or younger as of May 15, 2026
- Previous year's nominees are encouraged to apply. Past winners are not eligible.

If this sounds like you, or if you know someone who fits this description, please complete the nomination form. Self-nominations are welcome.

Submissions should include as much detail as possible about the nominee's specific real estate development and/or community accomplishments. Quantifiable or qualitative results are preferred in the submission, i.e., the nominee solved a unique challenge by creating a new process that resulted in a 50% decrease in permit processing times; or the nominee innovated online presence resulting in 20% increase in sales, or nominee led community service efforts raising \$20K to support activities for a DC youth baseball team.

All submissions must be complete and received using this online form no later than midnight on Monday, April 6, 2026

Nominees will be judged by the DCBIA Achievement Awards Nominating Committee based on professional accomplishments, engagement with DCBIA, and community service.

The finalist(s) will be notified no later than May 4, 2026.

The honoree will be announced and presented the DCBIA Young Leaders Award at the DCBIA Annual Achievement Awards on May 15, 2026 from 6:00 pm to midnight at The Anthem in Washigton DC.

All questions regarding this application should be directed to [info@dcbia.org](mailto:info@dcbia.org).

*\* Indicates required question*

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1. Email \*

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2. First Name (of person completing the application) \*

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3. Last Name (of person completing the application) \*

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4. Title (of person completing the application) \*

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5. Company (of person completing the application) \*

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6. Company / Firm Address, include suite no. & City, State, Zip (of person completing the application)

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7. Company Phone Number (of person completing the application) \*

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8. Nominee First Name \*

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9. Nominee Last Name \*

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10. Nominee Email Address \*

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11. Nominee Company/Organization \*

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12. Nominee Company / Organization Address, City, State and Zip \*

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13. Provide links to the nominees social media handles.

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14. Please tell us about the nominee's company or organization (one paragraph about what the company does and highlights)

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15. Please list the DC real estate project(s) the nominee has worked on over the last five years.

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- 16. List the DCBIA committees in which the nominee participates in or leads, including DCBIA Young Leaders Committee. Also include other business organization committees or boards along with the nominees' roles and accomplishments on those committees or boards.

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- 17. Provide any information related to activities or services performed by nominee to positively impact the DC community, i.e., raised \$20K or DC youth baseball team, mentor young professionals, volunteer activities, etc.

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- 18. Provide additional information that the DCBIA Achievement Award Selection Committee should know about the nominee related to the selection criteria, including activities promoting economic development, leadership, positive attitude, work ethic, team building, perseverance, innovation, and overall business success.

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- 19. Please upload a high-res color headshot for DCBIA marketing purposes.

Files submitted:

20. Upload the nominee's resume (optional)

Files submitted:

21. If you would like to submit a .doc or .pdf of this submission form, you can upload it here.

Files submitted:

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