

Nomination Guide

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The company/individual you are nominating is a thought leader, innovator, and outstanding representative of their business sector. Represent them in the best possible way by following our tips below!

Nomination Q & A's

How do the nominations work?

New in 2020 - NNDA is accepting a brief nomination for an award. The nominations are vetted to make certain the nominated company meets all of the requirements for the award; the company is then contacted for additional information. The additional information that will be requested is detailed in the "**Award Criteria & Questions**" document.

Can I self nominate as a company or an individual?

Absolutely! We encourage self nomination.

Can I begin a nomination and then return to finish it later?

Yes! Please carefully read the instructions for how to save your nomination on the first page of the online nomination form under the "**Important Notice**" section.

May I nominate someone if I am not employed by the company or know all of the information requested on the nomination application?

Yes! Please submit the name, website, and contact information to NNDA through the "**2020 Pioneer Awards Nominations**" form at PioneerAwards.com. We will contact the company or individual and let them know they have been selected by a community member for nomination to the awards.

What information do I need to do to nominate a company or individual?

The name and contact information for the best person to contact regarding the nomination. The name of the company/individual and their website or the website of the company they work for. ***We highly recommend reading the full criteria for the awards and the individual award questions below before beginning your nomination!***

I've been nominated and contacted for additional information!

What information should I include?

The selection committee likes details, measurable data, and success stories! What makes the company/individual stand out above everyone else? Do they have any special certifications or awards? How do they actively participate in the community and economic development? Has their business grown from six employees to fifty in the last five years? **Be concise. Be specific. Complete the entire application.**

How does the judging work?

The selection committee is made up of: a representative from the Governor's Office of Economic Development, a representative from the Nevada System of Higher Education, a nonprofit that works closely with manufacturers and promotes sustainability, an employer in the Sierra Region, former award winners, and two NNDA staff. After the nominations close, the committee will score the applications and then meet to select the best candidate. The scoring will assist with the final review, but any judge may make a particular case for a nomination they feel deserves extra consideration.