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SBA Announces the 2024 National Small Business Week Awards Winners for Massachusetts

Celebration to be held Friday, May 10th at the Doubletree Andover

BOSTON, MA – The U.S. Small Business Administration’s Massachusetts District Office today announced the 2024 National Small Business Week awards winners from across the Commonwealth.

“This year’s slate of winners represent the gritty, diversely talented and industrious Massachusetts small businesses and lending partners that continue demonstrating entrepreneurial success and perseverance throughout every season in New England,” **said Bob Nelson, SBA Massachusetts District Director**. “Our awardees exemplify excellence, innovation, and commitment, and the SBA is proud to showcase their incredible achievements and impact on their communities and our economy. Please join me in celebrating their success.”

Winners will be recognized at an awards ceremony event hosted by the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce on Friday, May 10th 2024 at the Doubletree Andover.

SBA’s 2024 Massachusetts District Small Business Week Awardees:

Small Business Person of the Year
Stephanie Vanderbilt
Coastal Windows & Exteriors
www.mycoastalwindows.com
Lawrence, MA

Minority Owned Business of the Year
Jose G. Perez, CEO
Roads Consulting Group
www.roadscg.com
East Boston, MA

Veteran Owned Business of the Year
Jason C. Dyer, Owner
Freedom Fuel LLC
www.freedomfuelma.com

Raynham, MA

Woman Owned Business of the Year
Gisela Velez, Owner
Central Mass Retina and Uveitis Center
www.velezretina.com
Ayer, MA

Microenterprise of the Year
Kim Meninger, Founder, Leadership Coach and Consultant
Executive Career Success LLC
www.kimmeninger.com
Groton, MA

Homebased Business of the Year
Natasha Goldman Homan, President
Wissen Inc.
www.natashagoldman.com
Worcester, MA

Small Manufacturer of the Year
Dr. Aaron Birt, CEO & Dr. Sean Kelly, COO
Solvus Global
www.solvusglobal.com
Worcester, MA

Financial Services Champion of the Year (Massachusetts & New England)
Matt Collins, Vice President
Granite State Economic Development Corporation
www.granitestatedev.com

Family Owned Business of the Year
Darryl A. Wickens, Chief Sports Officer
Tyngsboro Sports Center
<http://www.tyngsborosportscenter.com>
Tyngsboro, MA

Young Entrepreneur of the Year
Callie E. Mignault, Founder
Callie's Creations
[@callie.m33 on Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/callie.m33)
Peabody, MA

Exporter of the Year (Massachusetts & New England)
Michael E. Montemagno, President
Diamond Antenna and Microwave Corporation
www.diamondantenna.com
Littleton, MA

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