community, and actively mentors and supports

women in achieving their

Professional Leadership

Award - Recognizes a ris-

ing leader who has already made a significant impact in her profession and com-

munity and serves as a role

model for young women.

Emerging

full leadership potential.

ATHENA

Nominations Open for the Greater Lehigh Valley y Chamber's ATHENA Awards

By Hannah Stott

LEHIGH VALLEY - The annual awards will recognize its 100th ATHENA recipient who is committed to advancing women in business and the community.

Lehigh Valley, PA (March 13, 2025) – The Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce's Women's Business Council (WBC)



is now accepting nominations for the 2025 ATHENA Awards, which celebrate exceptional women leaders and organizations that champion women's leadership and professional excellence. Applications are open through April 7, 2025, for the three ATHENA Award categories:

ATHENA Leadership Award – Honors an established professional who demonstrates excellence, creativity, and initiative in their field, provides valuable service to improve the quality of life in the



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ATHENA Organizational Leadership Award – Celebrates businesses and organizations that foster a workplace culture that empowers, develops, and supports women leaders while actively contributing to leadership development opportunities for women and girls in the broader community.

Since its inception, the ATHENA Awards program has honored 99 leaders and organizations that have come from all walks of life, representing diverse industries, nonprofit organizations, and businesses of all sizes—united by their lasting impact on the Lehigh Valley.

"The ATHENA Awards shine a spotlight on women and organizations that create meaningful

change, open doors, and inspire the next generation of leaders," said Flo Scott, chair of the Women's Business Council. "We encourage the community to nominate individuals and organizations that embody the values of leadership, service, and mentorship."

To submit a nomination, applicants must complete a



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nomination form, provide two letters of recommendation, and answer three questions related to the nominee's leadership, community impact, and support for women. More information and the online nomination form are available at www.lehighvalleychamber.org/athenaawardslv.html.

The 2025 ATHENA Award recipients will be announced at the Lehigh Valley Women's Summit on June 5, 2025. The ATHENA Awards Ceremony will take place in October, with additional details to be announced.

The 2024 ATHENA honorees included Vicki Doulé of Capital Blue Cross, who received the ATHE-NA Leadership Award; Chloe Cole-Wilson of SILK Lehigh Valley, who was named the ATHENA Emerging Professional; and ASR Media, which received the ATHENA Organizational Award.

The Women's Business Council of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to strengthening the Lehigh Valley by empowering, recognizing, and inspiring women in business and the community.

For more information about the ATHENA Awards or the Women's Business Council, visit www. lehighvalleychamber.org.

Sustainability Tour KICK OFF EARTH MONTH THINKING GREEN

April 16, 2025 5:00pm—7pm

Grand Central Landfill/Energy Center
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An event for all ages—bring the family! Tour begins promptly at 5pm.

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Register by April 1, 2025 Email Adrienne Fors

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