



2026 CREW Tampa Bay Awards Criteria

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Eligibility Date: 8/16/2025 – 8/15/2026 (Deadline: August 16, 2026)

CREW Members Only Excellence Awards

- Member Rising Star Excellence Award
- Member of the Year Excellence Award
- Heart & Soul Award
- President's Award
- CREW Member to Member Deal of the Year Award

CREW Industry Excellence Awards

[Open to all! Both CREW members and non-CREW individuals and companies!]

Eligible Counties: Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Manatee, Sarasota, Sumter, and Polk (as far east as Lakeland)

Eligibility Date: 8/16/2025 – 8/15/2026

- Transaction of the year (Under 5,000 SF)
- Transaction of the Year (5,000–50,000 SF)
- Transaction of the Year (Over 50,000 SF)
- Project of the Year (Under 10,000 SF)
- Project of the Year (10,000–75,000 SF)
- Project of the Year (Over 75,000 SF)
- Community Impact
- Woman of Influence Award

CREW MEMBERS ONLY AWARDS

Heart & Soul Award

Description: Recognizes a CREW member whose enthusiasm, dedication, and positive energy has long-term embodied the true spirit of the organization. This person goes above and beyond to support members, committees, and initiatives — often behind the scenes — to keep CREW's culture strong and inclusive. *Board members are not eligible. Must be a member for greater than 4 years. Meant for a long term committed member. Only ONE selected & announced at event.*

Questions:

- How has this member consistently supported CREW Tampa Bay and its mission over the years?
- Describe the member's involvement in committees, events, mentorship, or member engagement efforts.
- In what ways has this member positively impacted CREW Tampa Bay's culture and sense of community?
- Share examples of how this member goes above and beyond behind the scenes to support others or strengthen the organization.
- Why do you believe this member embodies the "Heart & Soul" of CREW Tampa Bay?

Member of the Year

Description: Honors a CREW Tampa Bay member who has made significant contributions throughout the year through leadership, involvement, and support of the organization's mission. This individual exemplifies what it means to be an active, dedicated member.

Board members are not eligible. Must be a member for greater than 4 years.

Questions:

- What committee(s), program(s), or initiative(s) did the nominee participate in during the awards period?
- Describe the nominee's leadership contributions and impact on CREW Tampa Bay throughout the year.
- How has the nominee supported CREW Tampa Bay's mission through involvement, mentorship, networking, or member engagement?
- What accomplishments or initiatives distinguish this nominee as an active and dedicated member?
- What is the nominee's vision for continued involvement and leadership within CREW Tampa Bay and/or CREW Network?

Rising Star Award

Description: Celebrates an emerging leader — generally with fewer than ten years in the commercial real estate industry — who demonstrates exceptional potential, initiative, and engagement within CREW Tampa Bay. This award recognizes the next generation shaping the industry's future. *Previous winners and Board members are not eligible. Must be a member for 4 years or less.*

Questions:

- How has the nominee demonstrated leadership potential and initiative within CREW Tampa Bay and/or the commercial real estate industry?



- What committee(s), program(s), or event(s) has the nominee participated in during the awards period?
- Describe contributions or accomplishments that distinguish this nominee as an emerging leader.
- How has the nominee supported CREW Tampa Bay's mission and engaged with other members?
- What qualities make this nominee a strong representation of the future of the commercial real estate industry in Tampa Bay?
- What is the nominee's vision for continued involvement and leadership within CREW Tampa Bay and/or CREW Network?

President's Award

Description: This award is designed to recognize a CREW Tampa Bay Board member for their outstanding service to the Board and the Chapter during the calendar year in which the Excellence Awards takes place. *The selection of the Board member is at the sole discretion of the Chapter President.*

CREW Member to Member Deal of the Year Award

Description: Recognizes an outstanding commercial real estate transaction that highlights the value of collaboration among CREW Tampa Bay members and their organizations. Eligible nominees may represent disciplines including law, finance, engineering, environmental services, title, property management, communications, consulting, and other allied commercial real estate services that played a critical role in the success of a deal or project.

Qualifiers:

1. County of the transaction
2. Square footage
3. Qualifying Date (8/16/2025 – 8/15/2026)

Questions:

- What was your role in the project or transaction?
- Describe the project or transaction, including any unique complexities or challenges involved.
- How did your involvement contribute to the overall success of the project or transaction?
- Describe how collaboration among the project team and CREW Tampa Bay members contributed to the outcome.



- Provide the names, companies, and roles of the active CREW Tampa Bay members involved in the transaction.
- What impact did this project or transaction have on the client, community, or commercial real estate industry?
- Is there anything additional you would like the judges to know about your involvement or the significance of this project? (Please limit to 2,000 characters)

CREW INDUSTRY AWARDS

Woman of Influence

Description: Celebrates a leader whose career achievements, integrity, and vision have set the standard for excellence in Tampa Bay's commercial real estate community. This individual exemplifies professional success, mentorship, and advocacy for women in the industry. *Not limited to CREW Members - highlights one industry woman that has made a difference in the past 30 years.*

Questions:

- What impact has the nominee made on the commercial real estate industry in the Tampa Bay region?
- How has the nominee demonstrated leadership, innovation, or professional excellence throughout their career?
- In what ways has the nominee mentored, supported, or advocated for women in the industry?
- Describe the nominee's involvement in civic, philanthropic, or industry organizations that positively impact the community.
- Please provide additional details highlighting why this individual is deserving of the Woman of Influence Award and the lasting impact they have made over the past 30 years. (Please limit to 2,000 characters.)

Transaction of the Year Awards

- Under 5,000 SF
- 5,000–50,000 SF
- Over 50,000 SF

Eligible Counties: Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Manatee, Sarasota, Sumter, and Polk (as far east as Lakeland)

Eligibility Date: Lease agreements must have been fully executed, and sale transactions must have officially closed, between 8/16/2025 – 8/15/2026



Description: Recognizes an outstanding commercial real estate transaction that demonstrates excellence in execution, collaboration, innovation, and impact within the Tampa Bay region. Eligible deals may include leases, acquisitions, dispositions, financing transactions, or development partnerships that were notable for their complexity, creativity, market significance, or positive community and economic impact.

Qualifiers:

1. County of the transaction
2. Square footage
3. Qualifying Date

Questions:

- Describe the deal or transaction, including the scope, timeline, and parties involved.
- What made this deal unique, innovative, or impactful within the Tampa Bay commercial real estate market?
- Describe any significant challenges, complexities, or obstacles encountered during the transaction and how they were overcome.
- Did this deal contribute to economic growth, job creation, redevelopment, or community impact within the region? If yes, please explain.
- How did collaboration among the project team contribute to the success of the transaction?
- Please provide any additional information that demonstrates why this deal is deserving of the Deal of the Year Award. (Please limit to 2,000 characters)

Project of the Year Awards

- Under 10,000 SF
- 10,000–75,000 SF
- Over 75,000 SF

Eligible Counties: Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Manatee, Sarasota, Sumter, and Polk (as far east as Lakeland)

Eligibility Date: Projects must have been substantially completed, delivered, opened, or reached a major construction/design milestone 8/16/2025 – 8/15/2026

Description: Honors a standout development, redevelopment, or construction project that has made a meaningful impact on the Tampa Bay community through innovation, design, economic contribution, or overall execution. Eligible projects may include new construction, adaptive reuse, mixed use developments, hospitality, multifamily, office, civic, industrial, or community focused developments completed within the eligibility period.

Qualifiers:

1. County of the transaction
2. Square footage
3. Qualifying Date

Questions:

- Describe the project, including its size, scope, location, and intended impact on the community.
- What makes this project unique, innovative, or transformative within the Tampa Bay region?
- Describe any design, development, construction, financial, or operational challenges encountered during the project and how they were overcome.
- How has this project positively impacted the surrounding community, economy, or overall quality of life?
- Did the project incorporate any sustainable, resilient, or forward-thinking design and development strategies? If yes, please explain.
- Please provide additional details highlighting why this project is deserving of the Project of the Year Award. (Please limit to 2,000 characters)

Community Impact Award

Description: Honors an organization, project, initiative, or individual that has made a meaningful and lasting impact on the Tampa Bay community through leadership, service, development, advocacy, or innovation. This award recognizes efforts that enhance quality of life, promote economic and social growth, support underserved communities, or create positive change within the built environment and commercial real estate industry.

Qualifiers:

1. County of the transaction
2. Square footage
3. Qualifying Date

Questions:

- Describe the project, initiative, organization, or individual and the impact made on the community.
- What specific community needs, challenges, or opportunities did this effort address?
- How has this effort positively impacted economic development, quality of life, accessibility, sustainability, or community engagement within the Tampa Bay region?



- Describe any partnerships, collaborations, or community involvement that contributed to the success of this effort.
- What measurable or long-term impact has this effort created for the community?
- Please provide any additional details highlighting why this nominee is deserving of the Community Impact Award. (Please limit to 2,000 characters)