

1 PAST AWARD WINNERS

Man of the Year

2024 Kevin Plunkett
2023 Josh Coy
2022 Judge Paul Pape
2021 Bill Szeleg
2020 Bill Ennis
2019 Norman Jones
2018 Pastor Roland Nava
2017 Dale Burke
2016 Michael R. Goebel
2015 Bill Owens
2014 Steve Venzon
2013 Johnny Sanders
2012 William 'Willie' Pina
2011 Steve Murray
2010 Steve Dewire
2009 Frank Huffman
2008 Dick Smith
2007 Reid Sharp
2006 Tim Shuminsky
2005 Mike Helmick
2004 Al Mouton
2003 Otis Jackson
2002 Ashley Mutschink
2001 Tommy Higgins
2000 Bill Anderson
1999 Tom Scott
1998 Bill Crawford
1997 Gary Workman
1996 Mark Rose
1995 Ray Long
1994 Cruz Galvan
1993 Mike Talbot
1992 Dr. Paul Fleming
1991 Chester Eitze
1990 Hank Cunningham
1989 Allan Pape
1988 Dr. B.J. Marshall
1987 Cecil Long
1986 A.A. Sanders
1985 Allan Pape

Woman of the Year

2024 Maria Montoya Stayton
2023 Kathy Kirk
2022 Dr. Linda Ornelas Wilson
2021 Krystal Grimes
2020 Michal Hubbard
2019 Zia Lowe
2018 Martha Granger
2017 Betty Rucker
2016 Barbara Caldwell
2015 Molly McClure
2014 Debbie Moore
2013 Dorothy Skarnulis
2012 Jennifer Long
2011 Diane Newsom
2010 Terry Lyne Moore
2009 Terri Knop
2008 Debbie Denny
2007 Delores Hestdalen
2006 Karen Halladay
2005 Barbara Wilson
2004 Peggy Colbert
2003 Diana Johansen-Jack
2002 Violet John
2001 Betty Gurwitz
2000 Dr. Desmar Walkes
1999 Kay Wesson
1998 Joyce Wiginton
1997 Kay Wesson
1996 Robbie Sanders
1995 Adlinie Rathman
1994 Bettie Drake
1993 Evelyn Weilert
1992 Debbie Bresette
1991 Judi Hoover
1990 Joyce Gay
1989 Nancy Scott
1988 Minnie Bartsch
1987 Margaret Hanna
1986 Pat Mitchell
1985 Nan Olsen

Citizen of the Year

2013 Christine Files
2012 Robbie Sanders
2011 Chief of Police Michael Blake
2011 Fire Chief Henry Perry
2011 Mayor Terry Orr
2011 Sheriff Terry Pickering
2011 Emergency Mgr. Mike Fisher
2011 Judge Ronnie McDonald
2010 Drusilla Rogers
2009 James B. Kershaw
2008 James Allen
2007 Bastrop Sportsmen Committee
2006 Jimmie Ann Vaughn
2005 Gene & Karen Jo Castillo
2004 Terry Orr
2003 Sam Arhelger
2002 Monty Blackmon
2001 Les Appelt
2000 Dr. Neil Gurwitz
1999 Ronnie McDonald & Mark Rose
1998 Richard Howells
1997 Evelyn Weilert
1996 Dr. B.J. Marshall
1995 Reid Sharp
1994 Rev. Robert Long
1993 Jewell Hodges
1992 Cecil Long
1991 David Lock
1990 Don Calvert
1989 Ruth Long
1988 G.M. Blackman
1987 Pat Mitchell
1986 Kenneth Kesselus
1985 David Lock
1984 Billy Maynard
1984 Stanley Smith & Billy Maynard
1983 Mary Neil Herndon
1982 Cecil Long

Awards of Distinction

2024 Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino
2020 Bastrop EDC / Dr. Desmar Walkes, MC
2019 Bluebonnet Electric
2016 Bastrop County Pct. 2 Commissioner Clara Beckett
2015 Bastrop County Judge Paul Pape
2015 Emergency Manager Mike Fisher
2014 Bastrop County Long Term Recovery Team
2011 Firefighters of Bastrop County
2011 Susan Noguez, Norm Jones, Tom Scott
2008 Friends of the Environment
2007 Chester Eitze, Bastrop Opera House
2006 Federal Correctional Institution
2006 Bastrop State Park
2006 Downtown Business Alliance (DBA)
2006 Boy's and Girl's Club
2005 Dodee Vann, Emile Elementary
2005 Elroy Williams, Kerr Community Center
2005 SAINT Program
2004 Lt. Col. William Pina

Most Worthy Citizens

1968 James Sharp
1966 Henry Schuyler
1965 Jean Meyers
1964 Will Rogers
1963 Cecil Long

Ambassador of the Year

2024 Tami Goode-Weber
2023 Orlanda Valka
2022 Tia Kennedy
2021 Jacki Gabryshak
2020 Sara Rutherford

Lifetime Achievement

2024 Joe Grady Tuck
2023 Ruby Griesenbeck
2022 Kay Wesson
2020 David Lock
2018 Tom Scott
2017 Jim Kershaw
2016 Evelyn Weilert
2015 Reid Sharp
2014 Dr. Neil Gurwitz

Non-Profit of the Year

2024 Red White & Blue Veterans of Bastrop County
2023 Bastrop County Historical Society and Visitor Center
2022 Bastrop County Long Term Recovery Team
2021 Bastrop Opera House
2020 Friends of Bastrop County Animal Shelter
2019 Bastrop Education Foundation
2018 Children's Advocacy Center of Bastrop
2017 Bastrop Area Cruisers
2016 YMCA-Bastrop
2015 Mission U-Too
2014 Bastrop County Board of Realtors
2013 Bastrop County Historical Society

Business of the Year (Small/Large)

2024 Crosshairs Texas / Casa Chapala Mexican Cuisine and Tequila Bar
2023 Lori Tuggle State Farm Insurance Agency / TCS Mechanical, LLC
2022 Butler Contracting / Darling Ingredients, Inc.
2021 Colorado River Winery / Deep in the Heart Art Foundry
2020 HT Fitness / Ascension Seton Bastrop
2019 Medack & Oltmann, LLP / Agilent Technologies
2018 Lost Pines Art Bazaar / Frontier Bank of Texas
2017 Maxine's / Southside Market
2016 The Sugar Shack / Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort & Spa
2015 HEB Plus

Emerging Business of the Year

2024 Amazing Floors
2023 Bastrop Fitness Project
2022 Storehouse Market + Eatery
2021 LAB C Food Kitchen
2020 Ally Medical Emergency Room
2019 Neighbors Kitchen & Yard
2018 Copper Shot Distillery
2017 Kragh's Jewelry
2016 Scream Hollow Wicked Halloween Park
2015 Art Connections Gallery
2014 Piney Creek Chop House
2013 Lost Pines Toyota

