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CenterState CEO Announces Business of the Year Finalists

14 companies to be awarded during CenterState CEO's Annual Meeting, April 26

SYRACUSE, NY – CenterState CEO has announced finalists for its 2022 Business of the Year awards. The awards celebrate member companies and organizations for their outstanding success and the role they play in strengthening the region. These organizations have achieved significant growth, exemplified business leadership and have gone above and beyond in their commitment to the community. Finalists were selected from a highly competitive pool of nominations.

2022 Business of the Year Finalists

Community Involvement

- CH Insurance
- Drive Research
- Kinney Drugs, Inc.

Nonprofit

- Food Bank of Central New York
- Liberty Resources, Inc.
- Rescue Mission Alliance of Syracuse

Less Than 50 Employees

- It Takes A Village Family Daycare
- Scientific Tool Co.
- Wireless Business Group, LLC

More Than 50 Employees

- JMA Wireless
- Oneida Nation Enterprises, LLC
- Raymour & Flanigan Furniture

Minority-owned Business

in partnership with the Upstate Minority Economic Alliance

- ACCESS Dental Laboratories
- Gwen, Inc.

“Once again, we are inspired by the many companies and organizations that are achieving such impressive growth, be it through new investments, new jobs or expanding their operations. They are steadfast in their commitment to serving their customers and our community,” said Robert Simpson, president, CenterState CEO. “We are proud to honor these members for their outstanding success and the role they play in strengthening the region. We are also proud to



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partner with UMEA to present the Minority-owned Business of the Year award. We extend our sincere congratulations to all of these finalists for their achievements.”

“The Upstate Minority Economic Alliance proudly recognizes these minority-owned businesses for their outstanding success,” said Me'Shae Rolling, executive director, Upstate Minority Economic Alliance. “These companies have shown tremendous fortitude during the continuance of the COVID-19 pandemic and have driven impact to help strengthen our community.”

A single company or organization will be recognized in each Business of the Year category at [CenterState CEO's 2022 Annual Meeting](#) on April 26 for their commitment to growth and creating tangible impacts on the regional economy and community.

As the region continues to emerge from the pandemic, it is experiencing positive momentum, with new opportunities on the horizon. This year's event theme, *Transcend*, focuses on Central New York's ability to exceed what some once thought was possible for the region, and the chance to accelerate that trajectory. For more information visit www.centerstateceo.com/AnnualMeeting, or contact Lisa Metot at 315-470-1870 or lmotot@centerstateceo.com. The program begins at 9:30 a.m.

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