The Small Business Leadership Award was established by William Carey University and the Area Development Partnership in 1990 to recognize the important contributions small businesses make to the economic, social, and cultural life of the community and the particular achievements of one individual or family. The award is given in memory of Dr. Joe Roberts, former professor of communication at William Carey University. Dr. Roberts was also a successful businessman and one of the founders of Aycock-Roberts Furniture.

Qualifications

- Nominees are required to be a current member of the Area Development Partnership (ADP)
- Nominees must exhibit respectable character in the community and its mission must not conflict with the mission of William Carey University
- Nominees may be from either “for-profit” or “not-for-profit” sectors
- Previous recipients are not eligible for nomination
- Employ 100 people or less
- Business operations are localized geographically except for marketing
- The business is small compared to the biggest firms in the industry
- Financing of business is supplied by one individual or a small group

Nomination Procedure

- Candidates may self-nominate.
- Complete the nomination form on the back of this card
- Submit completed nomination form by: February 7, 2014
Nominee:

BUSINESS NAME ________________________________________________________________

NAME OF TOP EXECUTIVE ______________________________________________________

REASON(S) FOR NOMINATION __________________________________________________

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Nominator (If Not Self-Nominated):

NAME ______________________________ TITLE ________________________________

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION NAME (If applicable) ________________________________

PHONE _______________________________ FAX ________________________________

E-MAIL ________________________________________________________________

Return Completed Form To:

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