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Why enter?

Step forward, get recognised, and inspire the next generation.

This is your moment to shine. Take the spotlight and celebrate what makes you, your business and profession truly exceptional. Gain meaningful media exposure, elevate your brand, and position yourself in front of industry leaders, potential clients, and strategic partners.

By entering the Minara Business Recognition Awards, you are not just showcasing your success, you are stepping into a powerful role as a future mentor, a leader, and a role model for aspiring entrepreneurs, professionals, and community changemakers. Your story can open doors not just for you, but for those who look up to you. Entering means amplifying your impact, strengthening your credibility, and becoming part of a community that leads, uplifts, and inspires.

Category (Select one):

☐ Business Entity of the Year:

- ☐ Start Up
- ☐ Small
- ☐ Medium
- ☐ Large

No. of years in operation:

- ☐ 0-6 years
- ☐ 7-10 years
- ☐ 10 year +

No. of employees

- ☐ 0-20
- ☐ 20-100
- ☐ 100+

Turnover

- ☐ R0 – R20m
- ☐ R20m – R100m
- ☐ R100m +

- ☐ Business Person of the Year
- ☐ Business Woman of the Year
- ☐ Professional Achiever of the Year
- ☐ Young Entrepreneur of the Year
- ☐ Community builder of the Year

Contact details:

Nominee:

Full name

Company

Email

Tel

Cell:

Signature:

I Consent to Standard Bank contacting me for financial service product offerings. ☐ YES ☐ NO

MINARA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS AWARDS 2026

Nomination Form

Nominations Now Open

Rules:

1. The awards are open to South African Muslims and to majority Muslim-owned business entities registered and operating in South Africa.
2. Nomination is free and no fee is payable for any nomination.
3. Any person can nominate himself or herself or his or her entity or be nominated by any other person or organisation in any of the categories.
4. The form must be signed by the nominee.
5. A person or entity may only be nominated in a single category and not in multiple categories.
6. Nominations will only be accepted in respect of business entities that are engaged in Islamically permissible activities.
7. The Nominee should not have received an award previously from the Minara Chamber in the previous 7 years.
8. The nominee agrees to provide any additional information and to be interviewed, if requested, in support of the nomination.
9. Nominees consent to their names and images being used by Minara for marketing purposes, media interviews and no fee shall accrue to the nominee for such use.
10. Directors and staff of the Minara Chamber and their direct immediate family members are not eligible for nomination.
11. Nominations will be adjudicated by an Independent Judging Panel.
12. The decision of the Judging Panel shall be final and no correspondence will be entered into. At their discretion, the Judging Panel may reallocate a nominee to a category other than the option selected.
13. Winners will be announced at the Minara Recognition Awards Dinner and Gala dinner on the 23rd October 2026.
14. Nominations can be hand delivered, couriered to the Minara Chamber Offices or submitted via email to awards@minara.org.za or apply online www.minara.org.za.
15. The closing date for nominations is 02 August 2026.

The nominee accepts the nomination and agrees to abide by the Award Rules, terms and conditions

Nominations Closing Date: 02 August 2026.

PROCESSING OF PERSONAL INFORMATION (in terms of the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013)

By completing this nomination form you hereby voluntarily and specifically consent to Minara Chamber of Commerce collecting, processing and storing your personal information as well as adding you to our database of members, our mailing list and to provide information to stakeholders and the authorities with whom we are required to be registered with by law. By applying your signature to the bottom of this document, you consent to us collecting this information and to our use of it for the purposes stated above. You further undertake to notify Minara Chamber of Commerce should your personal information change for whatever reason.

You may withdraw your consent by written notice to Minara Chamber of Commerce within 10 (ten) days of signing this consent. All information submitted in this nomination will be treated as strictly confidential and used solely for the purpose of evaluating the nomination, and will not be shared with any third parties without prior consent.

DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

Minara Business Entity Category:

This award recognises an outstanding majority Muslim-owned business enterprise that has demonstrated exceptional growth and a sector leader. The enterprise must be registered and compliant with all relevant legislation and regulations. The enterprise is expected to have adopted innovative and creative strategies supported by good long-term planning in the achievement of its objectives. The enterprise must be shown to have adopted strong ethical and moral values in its operations and must enjoy good stakeholder relations.

Supporting documents required: Completed and signed nomination form, CIPC documents for the entity, Profile of business. Any other supporting documentation that will show the companies achievements or progress.

Criteria:

Large Business: The business should show growth as a market leader, demonstrated diversity, has performed well consistently (both operationally and financially), expanded its capacity, developed a sustainable strategy, demonstrate innovation and adopted best practice and governance.

Medium Business: The business should show growth as a market leader, has performed well consistently (both operationally and financially), has a future growth trajectory and is adopting best practice, demonstrate innovation and governance.

Small Business: The business must already be in existence, has a demonstrable financial sustainability, is innovative and is adopting new processes for operations.

Startup Business: The startup should demonstrate innovation and uniqueness, including how it addresses a market need and if different from competitors. The business should show growth potential, impact on customers and the broader community or economy.

Business Person:

This award recognises an outstanding individual who currently leads or manages a successful business.

Supporting documents required: Completed and signed nomination form, CV / profile of nominee and a copy of your ID. Details of any website/social media links (if any) to be included on your profile / CV.

Criteria: The nominee must be managing or owning a successful business and must have a track record of at least 10 years in business. During this time the nominee must have demonstrated strong commitment and dedication and excellent leadership coupled with a modern managerial outlook. The nominee should have a balanced outlook between community and society.

Businesswoman of the Year:

The Businesswoman of the Year is an outstanding female who is currently leading her own business.

Supporting documents required: Completed and signed nomination form, CV / profile of nominee and a copy of your ID. Details of any website/social media links (if any) to be included on your profile / CV.

Criteria: The nominee must be leading her own business and have been in business for at least 5 years. The nominee must demonstrate leadership, a modern managerial outlook, vision and commitment. The individual must show a balance between business and community involvement.

Young Entrepreneur of the Year:

This award recognises a Young Entrepreneur who demonstrates entrepreneurship and innovation and shows the potential for excellence. This award recognises those special traits that make successful entrepreneurs so inspiring.

Supporting documents required: Completed and signed nomination form, CV / profile of nominee and a copy of your ID. Details of any website/social media links (if any) to be included on your profile / CV.

Criteria: The Young Entrepreneur Award recognises innovators aged 35 and under, operating a business/es for over three years. Applicant must actively lead, demonstrating innovation, sustainability and growth

Professional Achiever of the Year:

The Professional Achiever Award honors individuals who excel in their chosen field, setting benchmarks through diligence, dedication, and commitment. Recognizing high achievers of exceptional talent, this award celebrates mastery and significant contributions to their profession

Supporting documents required: Completed and signed nomination form, CV / profile of nominee and a copy of your ID. Details of any website/social media links (if any) to be included on your profile / CV.

Criteria: A professional who has reached the pinnacle of achievement in their profession and also contributed to the development in society. The professional achiever must have been in their respective field for over 5 years. Their achievements must exemplify excellence, integrity, and a commitment to continuous improvement.

Community Builder:

An award presented to an individual who has made an exceptional contribution in the field of community service on a voluntary basis ("not a remunerated role").

Supporting documents required: Completed and signed nomination form, CV / profile of nominee and a copy of your ID. Details of any website/social media links (if any) to be included on your profile / CV.

Criteria: Any individual who has been selfless in service to humanity and whose contribution has benefitted society. The Community Builder Award recognizes individuals who selflessly serves humanity, making significant contributions that benefit society. Their voluntary efforts foster community cohesion and uplift those in need.