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## **Rainbow Chamber Foundation Small Business Excellence Award Fund**

Applications for the Small  
Business Excellence

*Sacramento*



Award Fund are now  
open!

*Sacramento*



**APPLY NOW**

**Applications accepted from October 26, 2023 – February 23, 2024**

**Submit your completed application to:**

***SBEA@Rainbowchamber.com***

Sacramento Rainbow  
Chamber of Commerce

Rainbowchamber.com  
916-266-9630



## ***Small Business Excellence Award Fund***

### **Applicant Information**

**Applicant**

**Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last

\_\_\_\_\_  
First

\_\_\_\_\_  
M.I.

**Business**

**Name:**

**Start Year:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Business**

**License #:**

**# of Employees:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Industry:**

**Gross Annual Income:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Suite #*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*State*

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*ZIP Code*

**Phone:**

**Email:**

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**Signature:**

**Date:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Rainbow Chamber Member:** YES ☐ NO ☐

**Year Joined:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Authorize use of Company Name/Logo for Advertising?** Yes ☐ No ☐

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## Required Documentation

<b><u>Eligibility:</u></b>	<b><u>Please provide a minimum of 3 of these documents:</u></b>
Small Businesses in Sacramento region	2023 IRS Form 540 (sole proprietor tax form)
Current Business License	Proof of Employer Identification Number (EIN)
Operating minimum of six months	Proof of General Liability Insurance
	2023 IRS Form 1040 Schedule C (profit & loss tax form from business) or Form 1120
	Copy of the Business License or Permit
	<i>*Missing documentation may decrease application score</i>

## Scoring Criteria

	Eligible Points:	Score:
Current RCC member; no outstanding membership dues	15	
Existing business for at least 6 months	10	
Locally owned and operated business, within the RCC footprint	10	
Profit and Loss Statement, Copy of Business License, Business Plan	15	
Please clearly describe what the funds would be used for	10	
Description of how you support and engage the LGBTQIA+ and small business/entrepreneur communities.	10	
Short Essay on how your business will benefit from the Small Business and Entrepreneur Award from Rainbow Foundation and how you will use it	20	
	<b>Total Score:</b>	

## Selection Committee

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Member of the RF Board, Local Bank RCC Member, NAWBO Representative, Joint Chamber Collaborative Representative, Representative from RCC general business member.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This award is not eligible for current board members of either the Rainbow Chamber of Commerce or the Rainbow Foundation, nor any staff member or contractor.</li> </ul>



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It is a one-time payment award with Toolkit Package certificates for the winner to coordinate timing with the supplier</li></ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All award decisions will be finalized by the Rainbow Foundation.</li></ul>   |



### Small Business and Entrepreneur Award Fund

The Sacramento Rainbow Foundation a 501 c-3 of the Rainbow Chamber of Commerce, offers a Small Business & Entrepreneur Fund.

This fund totals \$10,000.00 for small business members and entrepreneurs to facilitate and support the Rainbow Chamber of Commerce members business enterprises.

Total Award Package:	Monetary Value:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Small Business and Entrepreneur Award Fund</li> </ul>	\$2500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RCC General Membership (1) year</li> </ul>	\$250
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 tickets to RCC's Business and Community Excellence Awards on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024</li> </ul>	\$160

### Application Deadlines

SBEA Award:	Applications Accepted:
Award (1)	October 26, 2023 – February 23, 2024
Award (2)	October 26, 2023 – February 23, 2024
Award (3)	October 26, 2023 – February 23, 2024
Award (4)	October 26, 2023 – February 23, 2024
Award Recipient will be Notified Within 10 Business Days of March 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2024. Award Distribution at Business and Community Excellence Awards on March 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2024.	