



## ATHENA AWARD NOMINATION FORM: Instructions

The ATHENA Award Program celebrates the potential of all women as valued members and leaders of the community and recognizes those who support them. The ATHENA Award honors individuals who strive toward the highest levels of professional accomplishment...women and men who excel in their chosen field, have devoted time and energy to their community in a meaningful way, and who also open paths so that others may follow.

**THE CRITERIA** ATHENA recipients must meet each of three specific criteria. They must:

- Demonstrate excellence, creativity, and initiative in their business or profession;
- Provide valuable service by devoting time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the community;
- Assist women in reaching their full leadership potential.

## **COMPLETING THE FORM**

- Nominations or the ATHENA Award must be submitted using this nomination form (or a photocopy). Form must be typed or printed clearly.
- A computerized version may be submitted provided the format is identical.
- Five copies must be submitted of the application and any supporting material.
- One additional sheet may be added to this form, and resumes may be submitted. "Scrapbooks" or other separate supporting documents should not accompany the form. These materials will not be considered during the selection committee deliberations.
- Please review the nomination form carefully to ensure that comprehensive, quantitative information is supplied which demonstrates the involvement, achievement, and leadership accomplishments of your nominee. The more complete the information provided, the more useful this form will be for those who judge this important award.

## THE PROCESS

- The applications will be judged by a group of impartial individuals from outside the area who have been selected for their expertise and experience and who are not themselves eligible for the award.
- The ATHENA Award recipient will be announced: On November 17, 2016 At The Chamber's Annual Awards & Dinner

## **RETURN COMPLETED FORM BY August 12, 2016 TO:**

The Bedford County Chamber of Commerce

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or By FAX (814) 623-6089 Email: kellie@bedfordcountychamber.org