

2023 Thrive Awards

Hosts: Town Business Liaison Committee & Economic Development Division

Location: Vienna Community Center at 7 p.m. Please arrive by 6:45 PM.

Audience: Town of Vienna Business Owners (Friends & Guests of Owners), TBLC Members, CSC Members, Carol Leggett (Wife of the Late Bob Leggett), Delegate Holly Seibold (D-35)

Purpose of Event: *Every May, the Commonwealth of Virginia recognizes Business Appreciation Month—a time where businesses are celebrated for their role in our communities, their innovation, and dynamic services and operations. The Thrive Awards will be an event to celebrate business in the Town of Vienna and is hosted by the Town of Vienna Business Liaison Committee (TBLC) and the Economic Development Division.*

Key Awards for this Event:

Thrive Awards

More specifically, the focus of this event is to honor the 43 businesses that have been in the Town for 20 years or more and have met this milestone between June 2022 and May 2023.

The Robert Leggett Outstanding Service Award

The TBLC will also recognize Kathy Georgen for her work as the Vienna Business Association founder, board director and treasurer. Kathy is this year's Robert Leggett Outstanding Service Award. This award is named after the previous chair of the TBLC for his outstanding commitment to the Town and to serving the Vienna community. The award is given to an employee of a business in the Town of Vienna who has been employed by and provided outstanding service to that business for a significant period.

2023 Sustainability Challenge

The event will also honor businesses that have been recognized during this month by the Conservation & Sustainability Commission (CSC) and especially give mention to the 2023 Sustainability Challenge Champions—businesses that have shown exceptional demonstration and commitment to sustainable practices in one or more of the following areas: energy conservation, water conservation, waste reduction, transportation, and purchasing.

Order of Program

6:30 PM Registration and Cocktail Reception

7:30 PM Award Ceremony Begins - Welcome & Recognition of Distinguished Guests – Jen Morrow

7:40 PM Sustainability Awards Recognition – CSC Members

7:50 PM Robert Leggett Memorial Award – Jen Morrow & Carol Leggett (TBD)

8:00 PM Featured Guest Speaker – Councilmember Ed Somers

8:15 PM Presentation of 2023 Thrive Award Winners – Councilmember Ed Somers & Jen Morrow

8:40 PM Closing Remarks – Jen Morrow