

The **Georgetown Rotary/Georgetown Chamber of Commerce "5 under FORTY" is** a distinguished initiative that highlights the achievements of 5 outstanding young adults who, despite being under the age of 40, have demonstrated exceptional leadership, excellence in their respective careers, and a commitment to community service. The program aims to recognize and celebrate the contributions of these individuals who not only excel in their professional endeavors but also make significant efforts to give back to and positively impact their communities.

Through spotlighting these leaders, executives and professionals, the **Georgetown Rotary & Georgetown Chamber of Commerce "5 under FORTY:** program inspires and encourages a new generation of influencers, showcasing the diverse talents and dedication of individuals who are shaping the present and future of Georgetown!

And as we review these individuals, we will be reviewing their success in conjunction with the core values of Rotary International that include:

- 1. **Fellowship**: Building lifelong relationships and fostering a sense of community among members.
- 2. **Integrity**: Honoring commitments and maintaining high ethical standards.
- 3. **Diversity**: Connecting diverse perspectives and embracing people of all backgrounds.
- 4. **Service**: Using leadership skills and professional expertise to solve social issues and improve communities.
- 5. Leadership: Leading by example and inspiring others to act.

These emerging leaders are crucial for promoting our area as an attractive place for talent retention and growth.

Nominations for 2025 will be open from January 10th, 2025 – March 6th, 2025

After the nomination period closes, and once completed applications have been collected, the **Georgetown Rotary/Georgetown Chamber of Commerce** will form a Review and Recommendation Committee comprised of community leaders to review the nominations and make recommendations regarding the individuals they believe should receive recognition as honorees. The Review and Recommendation Committee will submit its recommendations to the Board of Directors of the **Georgetown Rotary/Georgetown Chamber of Commerce** for consideration and action. Each nominee's application and supporting materials will be scored on their leadership in their industry, as well as their leadership and impact in Georgetown and beyond.



This program will honor Georgetown's brightest young leaders who have demonstrated success in their careers and/or business, as well as the community they represent. We are looking for individuals who are rising stars showing leadership, demonstrating continued success and making a positive impact in their work and where they live.

Eligibility: The FIVE Under Forty Awards are open to individuals who meet the following criteria:

- Nominees must be under the age of 40 as of December 31st, 2025.
- Nominees/Nominators must complete the application and provide a headshot photo via email to <u>fiveunder40@gmail.com</u> by the deadline of March 6th, 2025.
- Nominees must be employed within the Georgetown area.
- Nominations must be supported with 1-3 letters of recommendation by applicant's president/CEO, direct supervisor, board chair or city authority. In cases where an applicant is a business owner, please submit a supporting letter fromtheir bank, primary supplier, major customer or a community leader
- Has made an impact on his or her company or community.
- Show the potential to be a leader in business, politics and/or the community during the next decade.
- Initiative and dedication in pursuing their career with proven success and achievement.
- Investment in and service to others through their involvement in civic, charitable and/or religious organizations

- Passion for Georgetown, giving back because of that passion.
- Nominees may be eligible in these and other industry sectors: education, health care, business, professional, social services, not-for-profit, government/public service, financial, services, IT, trades and more.
- Self-nominations are permitted.
- A business/organization/entity can have multiple nominees. However, only one person per small business may be selected. For larger businesses or organizations (500+ employees), two nominees will be considered if they're from different departments.
- It is highly encouraged that nominees have been with their current organization for at least 12 months and have achieved workplace milestones over the past 12-24 months.
- Chosen honorees are required to attend the awards presentation on April 25th, 2025. Inability to attend the awards event is an automatic disqualification from the program.

Return Applications by no later than: March 6th, 2025

EMAIL TO: fiveunder40@gmail.com with "FIVE Under 40" in the subject line or

Evaluation Process:

All nominees will be evaluated and assessed strictly based on the information provided. The Board of Directors will ratify those selected.

Questions? Contact: fiveunder40@gmail.org

Online applications can be found at georgetownrotary.org or georgetownchamber.org web sites.



Who is filling out this application: _

2025 TOP "5 UNDER FORTY" APPLICATION

as a candidate for the FIRST Annual

Georgetown Rotary/Georgetown Chamber of Commerce Class of Under 40 Leaders!

Criteria:

- Must be between the ages of 20-40 as of August 1, 2024 Must live/work in Georgetown
- Must have significant contributions to his/her community as a leader

A nominee must:

- have demonstrated professional excellence in their career
- have brought value to the Georgetown business community
- display a commitment to Georgetown through community service
- be younger than the age of 40 as of December 31st, 2025
- submit this completed application to the Georgetown Rotary Club by March 6th, 2025

Qualifications

- Will you be under the age of 40 on December 31st, 2025? * Yes No
- Do you live in Georgetown? *

Yes No

 Do you work in Georgetown? * Yes No

PLEASE NOTE: If you have a boss or superior we do require that you inform them that you have been nominated for this award and could be selected to represent your employer. Before submitting your application, please ensure you have notified your supervisor.



NOMINEE'S INFORMATION

(Person being nominated for the 5 Under FORTY Award)

| Your Full Name: * | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Your Email Address: * | | |
| Cell Phone #: * | _ Work Phone #: * | |
| Date of Birth: * | _ | |
| Mailing Address: * | _ City: * | State: * |

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

SPOUSE'S NAME (if applicable) * _____ CHILDREN (If applicable) * _____ EDUCATION: Degrees (if any), institution, year and major *

Have you ever pleaded no contest to or been convicted of a felony? * Yes No

If Yes, please explain. (Limited to 100 words or less)



STATEMENT OF PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT:

The information below will account for 35% of scoring:

***PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Summary describing the nominee's professional journey including achievements, activities and milestones. Examples would be professional experience and educational background; professional activities; leadership positions held; special recognitions received, etc.* (*We recommend the nominee write this*) (*Max 250 words*). Optional: nominee's <u>current updated resume</u> can be attached for further clarity on their professional journey.

STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY IMPACT:

The information below will account for 35% of scoring:

***COMMUNITY/CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:** A demonstrated consistent community involvement in the last 3 years? *

Yes No

*If yes, please provide information on the following: name of organization(s) you have supported, years supported, role/title/sponsorships provided, awards/honors received, and any additional information you would like considered for your community involvement. (Limited to 250 words or less) * *We recommend the nominee write this) (Max 250 words)*



STATEMENT OF PERSONAL ACHIEVMENT

The information below will account for 15% of scoring:

*Please provide information other than community service that you feel would give the award committee some additional insight into what makes you a well-rounded individual that is excelling not only in your professional career, but also in your personal life. This can include your relationship with family, co-workers, neighbors, etc. (Limited to 250 words or less) *

STATEMENTS OF NOMINATION SUPPORT The information below will account for 15% of scoring:

* Nominations must be supported with 1-3 letters of recommendation by applicant's President/CEO, direct supervisor, board chair or city authority. In cases where an applicant is a business owner, please submit a supporting letter from your bank representative, primary supplier, major customer or a community leader. Your letters of recommendation should answer the question, "WHY do you feel this person should be selected for the Georgetown Rotary/Georgetown Chamber Five under 40 (Limited to 250 words or less). Nomination support letters should include:

- Nomination Sponsor Full Name (who is supporting this application?)
- Nomination Sponsor Business or Organization:
- Nomination Sponsor Email Address
- Nomination Sponsor Phone Number
- What is the sponsor's relationship to the nominee?



*HEADSHOT PHOTO

In addition, please include a recent headshot photo (digital photo preferred) by the deadline as part of the application. Email to: <u>fiveunder40@gmail.com</u>

DISCLAIMER:

* Please check the "I agree" box below understanding that if selected for the 2025 FIVE Under Forty class, any information you include in this application or within reference letters, are released for use in a brief profile used for press releases, during the awards ceremony and online website and social media posts. The Georgetown Rotary will not get approval on the editorial profiles before they are published, so please do not include any information that may be uncomfortable seeing in print.

□ I agree

Please accept my application for the **Georgetown Rotary/Georgetown Chamber of Commerce** Five Under 40 award for 2025. I acknowledge that the attached application contains accurate information and I am honored to be nominated.

Signature of Applicant _____

Name of Applicant (Printed) _____