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**U.S. CHAMBER AWARDS GEORGETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WITH  
4-STAR ACCREDITATION**

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community involvement.*

**GEORGETOWN, TX, March 12, 2021 –**

The United States Chamber of Commerce, at its board meeting this week, awarded the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce with 4-Star Accreditation for its sound policies, effective organizational procedures, and positive impact on the community.

“Now more than ever, chambers of commerce have stepped up to serve as a resource to the business community and advocates of free enterprise” said Raymond P. Towle, IOM, CAE, U.S. Chamber vice president of Federation Relations and Institute for Organization Management. “Through the pandemic these chambers continue to lead while maintaining transparent governance practices, sound financial controls, safe work environments, value in programming and effective communications. They are commended for their sound policies and practices, and for this great accomplishment.”

Accreditation is the only national program that recognizes chambers for their effective organizational procedures and community involvement. In order to receive Accreditation, a chamber must meet minimum standards in their operations and programs, including areas of governance, government affairs, and technology. This extensive self-review can take 6-9 months to complete.

“The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce is proud to receive this rating which reiterates our organizations commitment to our members and community” said Jim Johnson, CCE, IOM, President and CEO for the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce. “We are honored to be recognized for our efforts in planning and performance.”

Local chambers are rated Accredited, 3-Stars, 4-Stars, or 5-Stars. State chambers are recognized as either Accredited State Chamber or Accredited State Chamber with Distinction. The final determination is made by the Accrediting Board, a committee of U.S. Chamber board members.



The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world's largest business federation representing the interests of more than 3 million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions, as well as state and local chambers and industry associations.

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce is an independent 501(c)6 nonprofit organization with a mission to facilitate economic success for our community through advocacy, education and collaboration.

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