

KANSAS GOVERNOR'S EXPORTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Kansas businesses supply goods and services across the globe on a daily basis. The annual Governor's Exporter of the Year Award proudly celebrates the successes of Kansas companies that excel in exporting and growing their communities. We encourage you to nominate a successful Kansas business for this year's awards program.



HISTORY

Since 1988, the Kansas Department of Commerce and the Kansas International Trade Coordinating Council (KITCC) have been working together to spotlight the critical role international trade plays in the growth of the Kansas economy.

AWARD BENEFITS

- ★ A SITE VISIT FROM THE GOVERNOR TO HONOR EACH OF THE EMPLOYEES
- ★ STATEWIDE RECOGNITION OF YOUR BUSINESS EXCELLENCE
- ★ USE OF THE AWARD TO MARKET YOUR PRODUCTS
- ★ MEMBERSHIP IN THE KITCC
- ★ INCREASED NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES
- ★ AWARD FINALISTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE TEAM KANSAS AWARDS BANQUET, WHERE TOP BUSINESSES FROM ACROSS THE STATE ARE RECOGNIZED BY THE GOVERNOR

"The process of working with our international partners grows easier every day, but winning the Governor's Exporter of the Year Award has simplified things even more. This award gives us instant credibility with prospects and vendors, and opens doors that we might not have considered entering previously." – DR. HARVEY DEAN, PITSCO
EDUCATION CEO

"The Kansas Governor's Exporter of the Year Award is a signature recognition that validates the efforts of our employees and our associates and is an endorsement of Bio-Microbics as a competent international business enterprise throughout the world." – BOB REBORI, BIO-MICROBICS, INC.
FOUNDER AND CEO

NOMINATE A COMPANY

Any Kansas company engaged in exporting can be nominated for the Kansas Governor's Exporter of the Year Award. Visit [KansasCommerce.gov/Exporter](https://www.kansascommerce.gov/Exporter) to nominate a business.

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KANSAS GOVERNOR'S EXPORTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

PAST EXPORTER OF THE YEAR WINNERS

2018: Schroer Manufacturing Company (Shor-Line) – Kansas City

2017: Lee Aerospace - Wichita

2016: GT Manufacturing Inc. – Clay Center

2015: Vektek Inc. – Emporia

2014: Kansas Aviation of Independence – Independence

2013: Excel Industries Inc. – Hesston

2012: Pitsco Education – Pittsburg

2011: Bio-Microbics Inc. – Shawnee

2010: Osborne Industries – Osborne

2009: Cereal Ingredients Inc. – Leavenworth

2008: Salina Vortex Corporation – Salina

2007: The Bradbury Group – Moundridge

2006: Great Plains Manufacturing Inc. – Salina

2005: BG Products Inc. – Wichita

2004: Tramco Inc. – Wichita

2003: American Crane and Tractor Parts Inc. – Kansas City

2002: Butler National Corporation – Olathe

2001: Landoll Corporation – Marysville

2000: Innovative Material Systems – Olathe

1999: Cobalt Boats – Neodesha

1998: Glendo Corporation – Emporia

1997: Pioneer Balloon Company – Wichita

1996: Roto-Mix Inc. – Dodge City

1995: Hill's Pet Nutrition Inc. – Topeka

1994: Kreonite – Wichita

1993: Interconnect Devices Inc. – Kansas City

1992: Peabody Tectank Inc. – Parsons

1991: Didde Web Press Corporation – Emporia

1990: M-E-C Company – Neodesha

1989: Wenger Manufacturing Inc. – Sabetha

