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## **New Hampshire Businesses for Social Responsibility Announces 2025 NH Sustainability Awards Finalists**

**Concord, New Hampshire, February 24, 2025** – The stage is set for the prestigious 2025 Business Sustainability Awards, hosted by New Hampshire Businesses for Social Responsibility (NHBSR). Celebrating the outstanding contributions of businesses, students, and individuals who have exhibited exemplary leadership across community engagement, environmental stewardship, governance, and workplace initiatives, awards will be presented on March 20, 2025, from 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM, at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester, NH.

NHBSR remains committed to fostering a culture of collaboration and innovation. By highlighting the efforts of these exceptional leaders, we aim to inspire and catalyze sustainable practices across industries. We applaud their visionary leadership and tireless commitment to advancing sustainability in New Hampshire.

New Hampshire businesses will be honored for spearheading collaborative endeavors aimed at fortifying communities, cultivating employee-centric workplaces, and making conscientious decisions that underscore their commitment to positive impact. The Sustainability Awards equally shine a spotlight on student leaders within the educational sphere, recognizing their inspiring contributions with Change Agent Awards.

The Sustainability Awards are informed by NHBSR's Measure What Matters 101 Survey, ensuring a rigorous and fair evaluation process. Join us in championing these Sustainability Awards Finalists on Thursday, March 20, 2025:

### **Energy and Climate:**

- Albany International Corp.
- Chapman Construction / Design
- Southern New Hampshire University

### **Environment:**

- LaBelle Winery
- NEMO Equipment
- Velcro Companies

**Workplace:**

- Bangor Savings Bank
- Market Street Talent
- Unitil

**Community:**

- MAYO Designs Inc.
- Normandeau Associates, Inc.
- Path Collective

**Governance:**

- Arts in Reach NH
- Community Loan Fund
- SEE Science Center

**Organizational Culture:**

- Goodwill Northern New England
- Hanover Co-op Food Stores
- Northeast Delta Dental

**Student Change Agent Finalists:**

- Emily Abrusci, University of New Hampshire
- Sofia Anestam, University of New Hampshire
- Benjamin Kaminski, University of New Hampshire
- Stephen Nyanor-Berko, Southern New Hampshire University
- Catey Selby, University of New Hampshire

Two additional awards, Systemic Leadership and Impact Amplifier, will be presented to leaders who have embedded sustainability throughout their operations while demonstrating the value to their business. The **Systemic Leadership Award** is presented to a company that demonstrated leadership in all of the above categories. The **Impact Amplifier Award** (previously called the Cornerstone Innovator Award) is awarded to a business or leader who has demonstrated sustainability as a journey, not a destination, with consistently innovative approaches to evolving challenges and opportunities. Those recognized boldly push boundaries and change norms within the business landscape.

NHBSR extends a warm invitation to its members, community partners, and all those passionate about sustainability in and around the Granite State. Attendees will have ample opportunities to network with sustainability leaders and fellow enthusiasts throughout the evening while enjoying delectable food and beverages during the networking reception of this eco-conscious event.

To learn more and register, visit <https://nhbsr.org/celebrate>

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#### **ABOUT NHBSR**

New Hampshire Businesses for Social Responsibility is a member-based, non-profit organization that convenes, inspires, and supports businesses and community stakeholders to build a more sustainable and prosperous state for all. More information on NHBSR and upcoming events, resources, and membership can be found at [nhbsr.org](http://nhbsr.org).

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