

Year	Award Type	Name
2023	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Cecil J. Blache
2023	Busninessperson of the Year	Bryan Hanks, Beta Land Services
2023	Young Businessperson of the Year	Dillan Rider, RSG Wholesale
2023	Large Company of the Year	Placid Refining Company
2023	Small Company of the Year	Orion Laboratories
2023	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Chamber Southwest Louisiana
2023	Workforce Innovator of the Year	ISC Constructors
2023	Large Manufacturer of the Year	Mid South Extrusion, Inc.
2023	Small Manufacturer of the Year	Noble Plastics
2022	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	E. Fredrick Preis, Jr., Partner, Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson
2022	Free Enterprise Champion	Terry Baugh, CFO, D & J Construction
2022	Free Enterprise Champion Young Business Person	Jacob Landry, Founder and President, Urban South Brewing
2022	Large Company of the Year	Amazon
2022	Small Company of the Year	Gulf Coast Bank & Trust Company
2022	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce
2022	Workforce Innovator of the Year	Ochsner Health
2022	Large Manufacturer of the Year	BASF Corporation
2022	Small Manufacturer of the Year	Elmer Candy Corporation
2021	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	James M. Lapeyre, Jr., Laitram, LLC
2021	Free Enterprise Champion	Former Governor Buddy Roemer
2021	Free Enterprise Champion Young Business Person	Tyler Gray
2021	Free Enterprise Awards Presenting Sponsor	b1BANK
2021	Company of the Year 100 or more	O'Nealgas, Inc.
2021	Company of the Year 100 or less	Advantous Consulting
2021	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Josh and Toni McAllister with the Louisiana Loggers Association
2021	Workforce Innovator of the Year	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana Foundation
2021	Manufacturer of the Year 100 or more	John Deere Thibodaux, Inc.
2021	Manufacturer of the Year 100 or less	Atlas Feed Mills
2020	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Adrienne Baumgartner

2020	Free Enterprise Champion	Governor Murphy J. "Mike" Foster
2020	Free Enterprise Champion Young Business Person	Nial Patel
2020	Free Enterprise Awards Presenting Sponsor	ExxonMobil
2020	Company of the Year 100 or more	Stine Lumber Company
2020	Company of the Year 100 or less	The Gray Insurance Company
2020	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Independent Insurance Agents of Louisiana
2020	Workforce Innovator of the Year	Danos
2020	Manufacturer of the Year 100 or more	Shell Oil Company
2020	Manufacturer of the Year 100 or less	Thomas Pump & Machinery
2019	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Art Favre, Performance Contractors
2019	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Donna Saurage, Community Coffee Company
2019	Free Enterprise Champion	Ballard Brothers (Paul, Scott & Steven), Ballard Brands
2019	Free Enterprise Champion - Young Businessperson	Friday Ellis, Governor's Cigars
2019	Company of the Year - 100 or More Employees	Community Coffee Company
2019	Company of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Emergent Method
2019	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Crest Industries
2019	Workforce Innovator of the Year	Kennedy Rice Mill, LLC
2019	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or More Employees	American Sugar Cane League
2019	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	GNO, Inc.
2018	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Steve Stumpf, Durr Heavy Construction, LLC
2018	Free Enterprise Champion	J.H. Campbell, Client Consulting Services, LLC
2018	Free Enterprise Champion - Young Businessperson	The students of Cristo Rey Baton Rouge Franciscan High School
2018	Company of the Year - 100 or More Employees	ExxonMobil Chemical Company
2018	Company of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Golfballs.com, Inc.
2018	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Jefferson Chamber
2018	Workforce Innovator of the Year	SOWELA Community College
2018	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or More Employees	Entergy Corporation
2018	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Eastman Chemical Company
2017	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Roland M. Toups, Turner Industries Group LLC
2017	Free Enterprise Champion	John J. Finan, Jr., Franciscan Missionaries of our Lady Health System

2018	Free Enterprise Champion	James M. Lapeyre, Jr., Laitram LLC
2017	Free Enterprise Champion - Young Businessperson	Donny Rouse, Rouse's Supermarkets
2017	Company of the Year - 100 or More Employees	Graphic Packaging International, Inc.
2017	Company of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	LUBA Workers' Comp
2017	Economic Development Partner of the Year	North Louisiana Economic Partnership
2017	Workforce Innovator of the Year	SSA Consultants
2017	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or More Employees	Dow Chemical Company
2017	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Cajun Chef Products, Inc.
2016	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Maura Donahue
2016	Ed Steimel Achievement Award	Lane Grigsby
2016	Free Enterprise Champion	Andree Begneaud
2016	Free Enterprise Champion	Michael Mitternacht
2016	Free Enterprise Champion - Young Businessperson	Brian Rodriguez
2016	Free Enterprise Champion - Young Businessperson	Eric Dexter
2016	Company of the Year - 100 or More Employees	Sasol North American Operations
2016	Company of the Year - 100 or More Employees	CGI
2016	Company of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Celtic Studios
2016	Company of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Steel Fabricators of Monroe, LLC
2016	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Baton Rouge Area Chamber
2016	Economic Development Partner of the Year	Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce
2016	Workforce Innovator of the Year	ABC's Louisiana Chapters
2016	Workforce Innovator of the Year	Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana
2016	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or More Employees	Alliance Compressors, Inc.
2016	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or More Employees	RoyOMartin
2016	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Arkema, Inc.
2016	Manufacturer of the Year - 100 or Less Employees	Hayes Manufacturing Co., LLC