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WOMEN OF INFLUENCE AWARDS 2025

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ABOUT THE WOMEN OF INFLUENCE AWARDS

The Women of Influence Awards were created to commemorate International Women's Day in Grande Prairie by celebrating local women's achievements and promoting equal opportunity for all. They recognize the women who through championing gender equality, are breaking barriers in their field, achieving new heights and advocating for greater access for all. It is through their actions we continue Grande Prairie's growth and foster a strong, vibrant, connected vision for our community.

The theme for International Women's Day 2025 is **#AccelerateAction**, which calls on everyone to unite in efforts to speed up women's equality worldwide.

It's time to Accelerate Action to make meaningful strides toward equality. We all have a role to play in building a future where everyone can reach their full potential. The success of women is the success of all.

AWARDS RECEPTION

Date: Friday, March 7, 2025
Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Location: The Bowes
Bonnetts Energy Centre

ABOUT INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

International Women's Day is an event recognized world-wide to celebrate the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women and to advocate for the continued advancements of equal rights.

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NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility

Eligible nominees must:

- Live or work in the Grande Prairie Region.
- Consent to the nomination and publication of their name and information.

Nomination Categories

- Next Generation Award
- Game Changer Award
- Workplace Leadership Award
- Community Leadership Award
- Lifetime Impact Award

Nomination Criteria

- Nominations can be submitted by anyone including friends, family, and coworkers, etc.
- Nominees cannot nominate themselves.
- Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.
- Nominations must satisfy the criteria and requirements for the award.
- Significance of contributions must be demonstrated through clear, specific, and relevant examples.
- One person per nomination.

Deadline to submit nominations is
FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2025



Winner Announcement

Winners will be announced at the reception.

Questions

For questions, please contact:

Community Social Development

Phone: 780-538-0380

Email: csd@cityofgp.com



Nominee Name:

Nominee Phone:

Nominee Email:

Nominee Town/City:

Nomination Category (Please choose one)

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Next Generation Award (Ages 14 to 25)

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Community Leadership Award (Ages 18+)

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Game Changer Award (Ages 18+)

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Lifetime Impact Award (Ages 50+)

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Workplace Leadership Award (Ages 18+)

Signature

Your Name:

Phone:

Email:

Signature:

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By checking this box I declare that the information contained in this nomination is true to the best of my knowledge.

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The personal information collected is authorized under Section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. F-25 ("FOIP Act"), as amended from time to time. The City of Grande Prairie may use your personal information to contact you if there is a need to verify information submitted on this Nomination Form. If you have any questions about the collection, use or disclosure of your personal information, please contact CSD at 780-538-0380 or by email at csd@cityofgp.com.

Submit Form: Email form to csd@cityofgp.com with subject "**Women of Influence Awards 2025 Application**".



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Women of Influence Awards 2025 Verification Form

I, _____ (nominee), have reviewed the nomination form(s) submitted on my behalf in consideration for a Women of Influence 2025 Award. I will retain confidentiality in this process and not disclose decisions on the award until after March 7, 2025.

- ☐ **Yes:** I wish to let my nomination(s) stand and will complete this verification and consent form in full.
- ☐ **No:** I wish to withdraw my nomination(s). I will sign, date, and return this form indicating my intent to withdraw from consideration.

If yes, fill out the following form:

Please verify spelling of your first and last name: _____

My age, as of March 7, 2025, falls within the parameters of the award category of which I have been nominated: _____

- ☐ In review of the reasons and specific examples provided within my nomination(s), I will only edit spelling for accuracy, and will remove any statements that are inaccurate. I acknowledge that I cannot add additional statements, statistics, or information to boost my nomination.
- ☐ **The reasons within my nomination(s) are accurate.**
- ☐ **The specific examples within my nomination(s) are accurate.**
- ☐ Should I be announced as a recipient of a Women of Influence 2025 Award, I consent to the publication of my full name and the information from my nomination form(s) to be used in traditional media and social media for positive promotional purposes. If I am named a recipient, video recordings and photography may be a part of the award process, and I consent to my image being used during the award process, for use online, and in publications.

Corrections/Notes: _____

Your Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Guardian Signature:
(if under 18 years old)

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NEXT GENERATION AWARD

Recognizing young women demonstrating exceptional promise, leadership, and impact in their community or field.

This award recognizes a young woman under the age of 25 who is emerging as a leader through her innovative ideas, dedication, and commitment to creating positive change. This award honours those who actively challenge societal barriers, inspiring peers to rethink possibilities and embrace inclusivity. Although still early in her journey, the recipient demonstrates leadership through community service, school involvement, mentorship, coaching, or advocacy, through uplifting others and fostering progress. Her contributions are laying the groundwork for a more equitable and inclusive future, driving change, and empowering those around her to make a meaningful impact.

Criteria:

- **Leadership:** Evidence of leadership roles in her school, community, or organizations
- **Innovation:** Creative or forward-thinking solutions to challenges in her chosen area
- **Advocacy and Impact:** Efforts to drive social, educational, environmental, or cultural change
- **Academic or Professional Excellence:** Significant achievements in academic, extracurricular, or early professional endeavours
- **Community Engagement:** Demonstrated commitment to uplifting others and serving her community

Open to: Women between the ages of 14 and 25

Next Generation Award Application Form – Questions

Pick any two of the following statements and provide 1-2 specific examples that help describe how your nominee meets the criteria for this award.

- ☐ **My nominee is active in leadership roles in her school, community, or organizations.**
(i.e. organizing or leading initiatives, taking on leadership roles, leading projects or clubs)
 - ☐ **My nominee has creative or forward-thinking solutions to challenges in her chosen area** (i.e. applied an innovative idea, thought outside the box to fix a problem, aspiring change-maker)
 - ☐ **My nominee drives social, educational, environmental, or cultural change** (i.e. created ways to better explore issues, speaks publicly on her topic, hosted an activity, is a role model)
 - ☐ **My nominee has significant achievements in academic, extracurricular, or early professional endeavours.** (i.e. innovation and leadership, academic recognition, athletic success, sport or career leadership, workplace advancements)
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GAME CHANGER AWARD

Celebrating women disrupting norms, challenging the status quo, and paving the way in their field or community.

This award recognizes a woman who is an established leader and trailblazer in her field, disrupting norms, challenging the status quo, and paving the way for transformative change. This award celebrates those who have introduced innovative ideas, methods, or technologies that have had a measurable impact, demonstrating resilience in overcoming systemic challenges.

Through inspirational leadership, she motivates others to embrace change and innovation, fostering a culture of progress and inclusivity. Her contributions have achieved tangible improvements or transformations in her area of work, with a sustained commitment to driving long-term change. Her trailblazing efforts continue to create pathways for future generations, leaving a lasting legacy in her field or community.

Criteria:

- **Trailblazing Efforts:** Initiated innovative ideas, methods, or technologies with measurable impacts
- **Overcoming Barriers:** Demonstrated resilience in addressing systemic challenges
- **Inspirational Leadership:** Motivates others to embrace change and innovation
- **Impact:** Achieved tangible improvements or transformations in her area of work
- **Sustainability:** Commitment to long-term change or innovation

Open to: Women over the ages of 18

Game Changer Award Application Form – Questions

Pick any **two** of the following statements and provide 1-2 specific examples that help describe how your nominee meets the criteria for this award.

- ☐ **My nominee has initiated innovative ideas, methods, or technologies with measurable impacts** (i.e. fully embracing a new way to do things, unique approaches to solving challenges, a true change maker)
- ☐ **My nominee has demonstrated resilience in addressing systemic change** (i.e. consistency in leading by example, speaking publicly about systems change, well engaged within the systems)
- ☐ **My nominee motivates others to embrace change or innovation** (i.e. leadership and mentorship empowerment, inspirational programs, seeking inclusive funding or scholarships)
- ☐ **My nominee has achieved tangible improvements or transformations in her area of work** (i.e. created new programs or services, increased representation, sparked lasting changes)
- ☐ **My nominee is committed to long-term change or innovation** (i.e. sustained mentorship, team leadership, creative advocacy, speaking publicly about change, driven policy changes)



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GAME CHANGER AWARD

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WORKPLACE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Honoring women who excel in leadership roles, fostering growth and inclusion within the workplace.

This award honors a woman business owner or manager who has demonstrated exceptional leadership within her organization by fostering an inclusive and supportive work environment. She is a catalyst for change, dismantling barriers that hinder professional growth and ensuring that all employees can succeed. Through her dedication and guidance, she serves as a mentor and role model, creating a culture that empowers individuals and promotes inclusivity within her company or industry.

Criteria:

- **Leadership Excellence:** Evidence of outstanding leadership and mentorship in the workplace
- **Workplace Culture:** Proven positive impact on workplace culture, particularly in fostering advancement and inclusivity in workplace practices
- **Team Development:** Creates an environment that supports professional growth and collaboration
- **Results and Recognition:** Demonstrated success in achieving organizational goals or advancing workplace innovation
- **Advocacy:** Committed to supporting women and underrepresented groups in professional settings

Open to: Women over the ages of 18

Workplace Leadership Award Application Form – Questions

Pick any **two** of the following statements and provide 1-2 specific examples that help describe how your nominee meets the criteria for this award.

- ☐ **My nominee has initiated innovative ideas, methods, or technologies with measurable impacts** (i.e. fully embracing a new way to do things, unique approaches to solving challenges, a true change maker)
- ☐ **My nominee has demonstrated resilience in addressing systemic change** (i.e. consistency in leading by example, speaking publicly about systems change, well engaged within the systems)
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COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

Recognizing women making significant contributions to the betterment of their community.

This award recognizes a woman whose leadership and advocacy are rooted in addressing pressing social issues and making a meaningful impact in her community. Through service, activism, and collaboration, she spearheads initiatives that tackle challenges her community currently faces. Her efforts emphasize inclusivity, building connections within diverse communities, and fostering sustainable, lasting improvements. Beyond her tangible contributions, she serves as a powerful role model, inspiring young women and girls to envision themselves as leaders and change-makers. Her work demonstrates the impact of resilience, dedication, and inclusivity, encouraging future generations to step forward and create meaningful change in their own communities.

Criteria:

- **Service Excellence:** Dedicated to impactful community service or volunteering efforts
- **Advocacy:** Started initiatives that address local, community-specific challenges (e.g., healthcare, education, environment)
- **Inclusivity:** Builds bridges and contributes to inclusivity within diverse communities
- **Sustainability and Impact:** Demonstrated impact on social issues and lasting improvements to community life
- **Collaboration:** Mobilizes teams, resources, and her community effectively to achieve shared goals

Open to: Women over the ages of 18

Community Leadership Award Application Form – Questions

Pick any **two** of the following statements and provide 1-2 specific examples that help describe how your nominee meets the criteria for this award.

- ☐ **My nominee is dedicated to impactful community service or volunteering efforts** (i.e. significant volunteer time, long-term dedication to a cause, mentorship and peer support)
- ☐ **My nominee has started initiatives that address local, community-specific challenges** (i.e. establishing support groups, organizing community events, or launching local initiatives.)
- ☐ **My nominee builds bridges and contributes to inclusivity within diverse communities** (i.e. partnerships with organizations, inclusive community activities, or working with local leaders.)
- ☐ **My nominee has made demonstrated impacts on social issues and lasting improvements to community life** (i.e. change-maker, inspirational role model, lasting community-wide changes)
- ☐ **My nominee mobilizes teams, resources, and her community effectively to achieve shared goals** (i.e. motivates groups, launches campaigns, seeks resources to achieve goals)



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COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

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LIFETIME IMPACT AWARD

Honoring women whose enduring contributions have left a lasting legacy in their field or community.

This award honors a woman whose lifelong contributions have created a profound legacy of leadership and service. Over the course of her career or volunteer work, she has demonstrated inspiring leadership and mentorship, consistently addressing critical societal challenges, and fostering meaningful change. Her sustained impact is evident through measurable outcomes and decades-long influence in her field or community. She has earned recognition from peers, organizations, or the public for her significant contributions. A dedicated mentor, she has uplifted and empowered the next generation of women, leaving a legacy that will continue to inspire and drive progress.

Criteria:

- **Legacy of Leadership:** Demonstrated lifetime of inspiring leadership and mentorship
- **Sustained Impact:** Decades-long influence with measurable outcomes in her area of work or community service
- **Advocacy and Change:** Long-term efforts to address critical community issues or societal challenges
- **Recognition:** Acknowledgement by her peers, organizations, or the public for her significant contributions
- **Mentorship:** Embraced support and encouragement for the next generation of leaders or professionals

Open to: Women over the ages of 50

Lifetime Impact Award Application Form – Questions

Pick any **two** of the following statements and provide 1-2 specific examples that help describe how your nominee meets the criteria for this award.

- ☐ **My nominee has demonstrated a lifetime of inspiring leadership and mentorship** (i.e. proven leader and mentor, supported numerous people, positive impact at work or community)
- ☐ **My nominee has decades-long influence and success in their area of work or community service** (i.e. recognized community impacts, proven success towards positive change)
- ☐ **My nominee has dedicated long-term efforts to address critical community issues or societal challenges** (i.e. dedication to solving community challenges, promoted and embraced ways to drive lasting change)
- ☐ **My nominee is recognized by her peers, organizations, or the public for their significant contributions** (i.e. dedicated to work and community, recognized for their roles, a change-maker, known and lasting contributions)
- ☐ **My nominee embraced support and encouragement for the next generation of leaders or professionals** (i.e. mentorship roles, empowered the next generations, freely giving of her time)



LIFETIME IMPACT AWARD

Submit answer here: