



Young Professional Recognition



Our Mission

FLEX represents the needs and interests of Young Professionals by positioning ourselves as leaders, entrepreneurs, and advocates for the sustainability of the Venango area through civic engagement, leadership development, and networking.



ABOUT FLEX

Future Leaders' and Entrepreneurs' Exchange (FLEX) provides Venango County's young professionals (suggested age 40 years and under) with a setting to build relationships and develop professionally. The program also helps to cultivate these future leaders and provides them with opportunities for making connections and developing their careers so that they can help shape the future of Venango County.



***FLEX Presents** is an annual event that celebrates the achievements of local young professionals who contribute to their community through civic engagement. FLEX hosts this event to inspire people to re-imagine their community and help them to encourage the young people in their lives — both at work and at home.*

Like communities across the country, we recognize the value of retaining our talented and motivated young people. A key to this should be recognizing those who choose to work and volunteer here now!

We encourage you to pay careful attention to those “under 40” that you encounter each day in your community, your work and even in your home and help us to celebrate our most valuable assets and the future of our region.

Do you know a young professional in Venango County who is an up and coming leader or is making significant contributions to their industry and the community? The Venango Area Chamber of Commerce and FLEX invite you to complete the nomination form on the reverse side of this flyer.

Nominees will be recognized at FLEX Presents, in April 2016 and will be featured in Venango Works, the monthly newsletter of the Venango Area Chamber of Commerce.

NOMINATION GUIDELINES - Nominations are being accepted through March 4, 2016.

Nominees must work in Venango County and be 18-39 years of age. Nominees should participate in civic activity that impacts Venango County, outside of their professional position/job. These activities can include community projects, advocacy, volunteerism, charitable deeds, and outstanding acts of kindness

The Review Committee may contact you for additional information about your nominee. Nominees will be selected based on their overall civic achievement and community impact as well as on how their lives are an **example of the FLEX mission**. Nominees do not need to be a member of FLEX or the Venango Area Chamber of Commerce.



Nomination Form



Name of Nominee

Employer and Business Title

Home Address

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

Business Phone

Email Address

Name of Nominator

Employer and Business Title

Relationship to Candidate

Contact Phone Numbers

Email Address

Criteria

- Candidate participates in activities that make a difference in the well-being of others
- Candidate has exceptional ethical qualities and strives to improve and preserve the community
- Completed nomination packet must include:
 - Nomination Form
 - Letter stating the candidate's qualities for the award, written by the nominator
 - Additional letters of support welcomed but not required

Each nominee will be contacted to provide this additional information:

- A bio or resume
- Professional goals over the next years
- Past significant achievements and awards

Mail or drop off the nomination form and all supporting materials **by Friday, March 4, 2016** to the Venango Area Chamber of Commerce; 41 Main Street; P.O. Box 376 Oil City, PA 16301.

Packet may be emailed to swilliams@venangochamber.org or faxed to 814-676-8185

If you have any questions please contact Susan Williams (814) 676-8521.