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Rochester Business Journal Announces 2020 Women of Excellence Honorees

Rochester, N.Y. — *Rochester Business Journal* selected Sister Grace Miller, House of Mercy Executive Director, as a Women of Excellence honoree.

Established in 2018, the Women of Excellence awards recognize high-achieving women for their professional experience, community involvement, leadership and sustained commitment to mentoring. Winners were selected by a panel of judges comprised of previous Circle of Excellence and Women of Excellence honorees.

In addition, seven women will be inducted into the Circle of Excellence. The Circle of Excellence recognizes women of longstanding, notable success in the community who are leading the way for other women. These honorees were selected by *Rochester Business Journal* editors.

"Through their professional accomplishments, community involvement, leadership and sustained commitment to mentoring, the 2020 Women of Excellence honorees are high-achieving women who are committed to making Rochester the best place to live and work," said Suzanne Fischer-Huettner, group publisher of the *Rochester Business Journal*. "We at the *Rochester Business Journal* applaud the honorees for what they have done and will continue to do for our community."

The Women of Excellence awards will be presented September 9 at an awards celebration from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center, 123 East Main Street in Rochester. Winners will be profiled in a magazine that will be inserted into the September 11 issue of the *Rochester Business Journal* and will be available online at www.rbj.net. The event hashtag is #RBJEvents.

For more information about sponsorships and tickets for the *Rochester Business Journal's* Women of Excellence awards, visit www.rbj.net or call 585-363-7271.

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About the Rochester Business Journal

For 33 years, the *Rochester Business Journal* has served as the leading source of business news and information in Rochester, N.Y. In addition to its website, rbj.net, and weekly print publication, the *Rochester Business Journal* publishes more than 25 special products a year including *Book of Lists*, *Explore Greater Rochester*, *RBJ 75* and *Schools Report Card*. The *Rochester Business Journal* also honors leading Rochesterians through 13 annual awards events including Forty Under 40, Icon Honors, Women of Excellence and Reader Rankings. Its Digital Marketing Solutions helps customers with social media, search engine marketing and optimization, retargeting, email marketing and more. *Rochester Business Journal* is part of BridgeTower Media, one of the country's leading business-to-business media companies with 44 print and digital publications in more than 20 U.S. markets.

2020 Women of Excellence Honorees

Susan E. Acker, Merrill
Kim Allen, Dixon Schwabl
Melanie Barnas-Simmons, Bishop Kearney
Nicole Kingsley Brunner, Manning & Napier
Stephanie Caffera, Nixon Peabody LLP
Julie Camardo, Zweigle's Inc.
Jackie Campbell, ROC the Future
Carletta Carter, Eastman Institute for Oral Health
Courtney Cotrupe, Partners + Napier
Amy DelCorvo, NYSCATE - New York State Association for Computers and Technologies in Education
Carol DeMoulin, The Arc Foundation of Monroe
Jill Eisenstein, Rochester RHIO
Dresden Engle, Dresden Public Relations
Shalonda Garfield, Rochester City School District
Michele Gennarino, Velocitii, LLC
Marilynn Patterson Grant, William & Sheila Konar Foundation
Seanelle Hawkins, Urban League of Rochester
Elizabeth Henderson, Peacework CSA
Norma Holland, The Digital Hyve
Jennifer Hungate, Robert F. Hyland and Sons, LLC
Yana Khashper, ROCovery Fitness
Jane Knickerbocker, Jewish Senior Life
Greta Kolcon, Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP
Laurie Leo, Roberts Wesleyan College and Northeastern Seminary
Christine Licata, Rochester Institute of Technology
Christine McAllister, McAllister Sign Inc.

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Sarah Milko, AutismUp Inc.
Sister Grace Miller, House of Mercy
Karen Morris, Monroe Community College/Town of Brighton
Mary Ockenden, University of Rochester Medical Center
Michelle Pedzich, Canandaigua National Bank & Trust Co.
Pamela Reynolds, Littler Mendelson
Jaime Saunders, United Way of Greater Rochester
Melany Silas, Monroe Community College
Arlette Miller Smith, St. John Fisher College
Lauren Spiker, 13thirty Cancer Connect, Inc.
Lynn Sullivan, Volunteers of America of Upstate New York
Sara Taylor, Heritage Christian Services
Elizabeth Wehle, Genesee Country Village & Museum
Kathleen Whelehan, The Upstate National Bank
Alyssa Whitfield, Dress for Success Rochester
Laurie Zaucha, Paychex, Inc.
Mary Ellen Zuckerman, School of Business, SUNY Geneseo

2020 Circle of Excellence Honorees

Andrea DeMeo, Trillium Health
Sharon Napier, Partners + Napier
dt ogilvie, Center for Urban Entrepreneurship
Kitty Van Bortel, Van Bortel
Lori Van Dusen, LVW Advisors
Barbara Wale, The Arc of Monroe
Colleen Wegman, Wegmans Food Markets

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