



## HUME BUSINESS AWARDS 2026 – INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES

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The Hume Business Awards acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of Hume businesses and the contribution they make to the Hume economy and the wider community. Hume City's businesses support the economic prosperity of the region by providing employment opportunities and delivering exceptional products and services. We invite you to submit your application and be recognised for your achievements.

### SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Applications for the Hume 2026 Hume Business Awards are to be submitted by either the business owner/s or employees of the business via the SmartyGrants portal.

To lodge your application, you must complete the required information and ensure you click on the 'Submit' button which appears on the last page of the application form. You can save your progress at any stage during and return to it later.

**You will not be able to submit your application until you have completed all compulsory questions. Only completed applications will be considered.**

Completed applications will be acknowledged as received by an automatically generated system email from this application platform. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your application, please contact Roz Nadjarian on 0436 932 621 or email [rozn@hume.vic.gov.au](mailto:rozn@hume.vic.gov.au)

### ASSESSMENT PROCESS

- Applications will be assessed and short listed for suitability of inclusion into award categories
- Each short-listed entry will be assessed by a judging panel, who may contact the business for supplementary information and/or a site visit to substantiate claims made in the application
- If your application is successful and you are selected as a finalist, you will be notified by email
- Hume City Council reserves the right not to issue an Award in a given category

### DO YOU REQUIRE ASSISTANCE?

If you experience any technical difficulties with your online application contact Roz Nadjarian on 0436 932 621, alternatively send an email to [rozn@hume.vic.gov.au](mailto:rozn@hume.vic.gov.au)