

2022 Ecostar Awards Application

Thank you for your interest in applying to the 2022 Ecostar Awards! **Applications will be accepted until 11:59 PM on August 31st, 2022.**

To apply for an award, simply fill out the application below. If you wish to apply for more than one award, please fill out supplementary applications.

This application is a fillable PDF. Please ensure you save the document with your answers before closing it.

Name	
Email	
Phone number	
Business name (<i>written as desired on award</i>)	
Address	
Website link	
Social media links	
Number of full-time employees	
How did you learn about the Ecostar Awards?	

Award categories (see full description of awards on our [website](#)):

1. Clean Oceans – efforts made to protect our oceans
2. Climate Action – measures, mitigates, and offsets emissions
3. Community Leadership – outstanding contribution to the environmental movement
4. Ecological Stewardship – efforts to restore or protect natural ecosystems
5. Ecopreneur of the Year – individual that started an impactful eco-venture, operational for 3+ years
6. Greenest Hospitality Experience – reduces waste, energy consumption, pollution, and greenhouse gas emissions
7. Greenest Retailer – reduces environmental impact in both operations & products sold
8. Greenest Office – impressive environmental practices & policies
9. Innovation – demonstrates innovative sustainability practices within their industry
10. Inspirational New Venture – a new venture with the potential to create widespread positive change, operational for less than 3 years
11. Leadership in Construction & Design – showcasing environmental leadership and innovation in the construction industry
12. Local Food – increases access to local food and beverage options
13. Regenerative Tourism – leading the way in nature-based tourism, supporting positive environmental and social impacts
14. Social Impact – made a significant impact on addressing social needs
15. Waste to Resource – turns waste into a value-add material for new products

Selected Award Category	
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Tell us about your organization. Why does it exist, who founded the company and when? Include the primary operations and basic services or framework of the organization. **(100 words max – no weighting)**

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Tell us why you are applying for the selected award category and what specific actions have been taken by your organization over the past two years that aligns with this. **(250 words max – weighted question)**

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Based on what was mentioned above, what effects has this had on the local community and/or the environment? **(250 words max – weighted question)**

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How has your approach taken into consideration justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion over the past two years (100 words max – weighted question)
What challenges and barriers has your organization had to overcome - pandemic-related or otherwise? How have you been able to stay true to your values during challenging times? (100 words max – no weighting)

Please provide yes or no answers to the following statements:

Our organization complies with all local, provincial, and federal environmental regulations.	
I wish to be notified when the 2023 Ecostar Applications open next year.	
I wish to be added to the Synergy Foundation newsletter list - the Vancouver Island Green Business Collective Newsletter (published every two months) and the Project Zero Newsletter (published quarterly)	

Final steps:

1. Save the application document as **YourOrganizationName_2022ecostar.doc**
2. Prepare a copy of your organization’s logo (high resolution and transparent background preferred)
3. Prepare 1-3 photos to submit along with applications that relates to your sustainability efforts and/or your daily operations
4. Email application, logo, and photos to ecostarawards@synergyfoundation.ca and use the following subject line: 2022 Ecostar Awards Application Submission – **Your Organization Name**