

2010 Small Business of the Year

The Small Business of the Year award is sponsored by The Alexander County Economic Development Corporation. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their support of this award.

The winner of the 2010 Alexander County Small Business of the Year Award has been in business for 38 years. This business was based on a simple business plan of treating people fairly and being honest in all of your actions. This simple but powerful way of doing business remains the cornerstone of the company today.

This company has a long history of being environmentally responsible. They have opted to conform to the stringent EPA Title 5 environmental standards, even though their emissions were lower than the required reporting standard. They spend many thousands of dollars each year to reduce their hazardous emissions, and consider this money well spent to be a better corporate citizen and keep the environment safe.

This company established an Employee Care Fund in 2008 as a way for their employees to give back to the community. The Care Fund is for local charities in Alexander County. To date their employees have: provided 18 book bags filled with school supplies to K-6th grade school children, provided multiple Christmas gifts to 8 children in the Alexander County Foster Care program, and provided assistance to a co-worker who lost all of his possessions in a house fire.

The owner of this company has been extremely active in the local community and serves on several Board of Directors locally, including the Alexander County Economic Development Corporation and the Alexander

County Chamber of Commerce. In 2008 they invested nearly 2 million dollars in Alexander County and brought over 40 much needed jobs to the area.

It is my pleasure to present the 2010 Alexander County Small Business of the Year Award to Piedmont Fiberglass, Incorporated.