



2026 TOP 20 UNDER 40 YOUNG PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

A program of the Monroe
Chamber of Commerce

The Northeast Louisiana Young Professionals and the Monroe Chamber of Commerce are requesting nominations for the 2026 Top 20 Under 40 Young Professional Awards. We want to honor the work and contributions of individuals under 40 that help to make this community great. The criteria used to evaluate candidates will include career development, community involvement and leadership potential. A confidential committee from NELA YP, Monroe Chamber of Commerce and BayouLife Magazine will select the Top 20. The awards will be presented at a Top 20 Under 40 Awards Reception which will be held on Thursday, July 30 at ULM's Bayou Pointe Event Center.

Nomination Guidelines: Nominee must be over 21 and under 40 years old by July 9, 2026. Nominee must be a resident of Northeast Louisiana. Companies or individuals are allowed to nominate more than one person and individuals are allowed to nominate themselves. **Deadline to submit nominations is 5p.m. on Thursday, July 9, 2026. No exceptions!**

We do not need multiple nominations for the same person. One well written, detailed nomination form is sufficient!

Please email your nominations to dgarrett@monroe.org or mail to:
Top 20 Under 40 Young Professional Awards
Monroe Chamber of Commerce
1811 Auburn Avenue, Suite 1, Monroe, LA 71201

Nominee Name: _____ Title: _____
Company: _____ Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Age on July 9, 2026: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Highest Level of Education: _____ From what institution: _____

Leadership accomplishments in career or business field

1) _____ 2) _____
3) _____ 4) _____

Examples of community involvement in civic, church, charitable or other organizations

1) _____ 2) _____
3) _____ 4) _____

What makes nominee EXCEPTIONAL

1) _____ 2) _____

Provide additional information you think the selection committee should know

Please attach any additional information relevant to this nomination.

Your Name _____ Company _____
Email _____ Phone _____