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## **CenterState CEO Announces 15 Business of the Year Finalists**

*Five Member Companies will be Awarded at the Annual Meeting, April 19*

SYRACUSE, NY – CenterState CEO congratulates 15 member businesses and organizations for their outstanding achievement during the past year. CenterState CEO's Business of the Year finalists were selected from the largest-ever pool nominated for this honor. This high-caliber slate of nominees made for a very competitive process.

### **Business of the Year Finalists**

#### **More Than 50 Employees**

C & S Companies  
Pathfinder Bank  
Thompson & Johnson Equipment Co.

#### **Community Involvement**

BlueRock Energy  
ONEGROUP  
SUNY Upstate Medical University

#### **Less Than 50 Employees**

CH Insurance  
Ichor Therapeutics  
Northeast Information Discovery, Inc.

#### **Nonprofit**

Liberty Resources, Inc.  
McMahon Ryan Child Advocacy Center  
Nascentia Health, Inc.

#### **Minority-owned Business**

*(in partnership with the Upstate Minority Economic Alliance)*  
Medicare Made Simple, LLC  
Thelikeminded  
Brackens Financial Solutions

"These member businesses stand out among an incredible competitive field of nominees for their outstanding success and for the role they play in strengthening our community," said Robert Simpson, president, CenterState CEO. "During the last year, these companies have excelled in creating jobs, making new investments and engaging with the community."

A single company will be recognized in each category at **CenterState CEO's 2018 Annual Meeting, April 19**, for their commitment to growth, improving our community and creating tangible impacts on our economy. This year's theme of Pivot will also explore the importance of shifting approaches to adjust to ever changing social, demographic and economic forces. Just as dynamic businesses must be agile to stay competitive in today's economy, progressive communities must also be responsive to changing circumstances in order to drive growth and progress.

**Tickets to the CenterState CEO Annual Meeting can be purchased at**  
**[www.centerstateceo.com/events](http://www.centerstateceo.com/events), or by contacting Lisa Metot, at (315) 470-1800.**  
**Doors open at 11:30 a.m., program begins promptly at 12:00 p.m.**



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