

CENTRAL TEXAS DIGEST

## **20 companies, organizations honored; East Austin economic summit set for October**



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### **Chamber honors 20 companies, organizations**

Twenty Central Texas businesses and nonprofit organizations were honored Wednesday night as winners of the Greater Austin Business Awards. This is the seventh year for the awards, which were created by the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce to recognize companies and organizations that excel in various areas.

The winners, chosen from among 203 nominees, were announced at a dinner at the Hilton Austin hotel. Awards were presented in three size categories and a nonprofit for each category.

Community relations: RunTex, KTBC-TV, Temple-Inland Inc. and Impact Austin.

Customer service: HotLink Inc., Truluck's Seafood, Lombardi Software, and Meals on Wheels and More.

Education: Communicard LLC, ITT Technical Institute, Advanced Micro Devices Inc. and College Forward.

Environment: Habitat Suites Hotel, Green Mountain Energy Co., Advanced Micro Devices Inc. and the City of Austin Housing Authority.

Innovation: Decision Critical Inc., ID Theft Solutions for America, Higginbotham & Associates Inc. and Capital Idea.

The Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo won the Freescale nonprofit award, which comes with a \$5,000 donation from Freescale Semiconductor Inc.

### **Development and neighborhood issues**

East Austin Economic Summit set for October

The East Austin Economic Summit, which brings together business owners and residents, will be held Oct. 13 at the Eastview Campus of Austin Community College.

The event will include a presentation on the local and regional economy, with breakout sessions on business development and neighborhood issues.

The keynote speaker will be Corey Bell, chief executive of TriFusion LP in Round Rock.

The organizer is PeopleFund, a nonprofit that provides loans and other services that benefit low-income communities.

The summit costs \$25, which includes breakfast and lunch.

For information, go to [www.peoplefund.org](http://www.peoplefund.org).

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