



# Calvert County NEWS

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### **Calvert County Economic Development Commission Seeks Leading Edge Award Nominations**

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – January 8, 2010** –The Calvert County Economic Development Commission is currently seeking Calvert County Business of the Year Award nominations for the 2010 Leading Edge Awards. Founded in 2001, the College of Southern Maryland's Leading Edge Awards program is designed to recognize the dedication, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit displayed by businesses in Southern Maryland.

Nominations must be received by **Friday, January 29, 2010**, and the winner will be announced by the College of Southern Maryland in May, 2010. Winners will be presented with their awards at the annual awards dinner on June 23, 2010, in Waldorf, Maryland.

Nominees must:

- Have a permanent business location with employee(s) in Calvert County, Maryland;
- Be a business in good standing (properly licensed, up to date on all statutory state and local tax liabilities and with no outstanding regulatory issues);
- Have been in operation for a minimum of two years; and
- Submit a nomination package that addresses the award criteria.

For complete nomination instructions and additional information, visit online at [www.ecalvert.com](http://www.ecalvert.com) or contact Danita Boonchaisri at 410-535-4583 or by e-mail at [danitab@co.cal.md.us](mailto:danitab@co.cal.md.us).

For information about the Calvert County, Md., Department of Economic Development, our visitor sites and attractions and the services available to assist County businesses, call 410-535-4583,

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*Calvert County is Maryland's smallest county in land area with 213 square miles. It is home to approximately 90,000 people and has one of the highest standards of living in Maryland. There are more than 5,000 businesses in the County and a labor force of at least 1.8 million resides within a one-hour drive. Major industries include defense contracting, information technology, tourism, utilities, light manufacturing and administrative services.*