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### Annual Building a Better Central Oregon Award Nominations Due April 2

Bend, OR (February 1, 2018). For over 40 years, the Building a Better Central Oregon Awards (BBCO) have celebrated the great contributions of businesses and residents in Deschutes, Jefferson Harney, and Crook Counties to enhance their community with outstanding new or renovated residential, commercial or industrial buildings. Nominations come from the individuals, community organizations and businesses. A committee of Central Oregon Association of REALTORS® (COAR) members select and tour the final winners based on the following criteria:

- Property must be within Crook, Deschutes, Harney or Jefferson counties.
- Must have been completed within the last 2 years.
- Have significant impact on, or enhancement to the community, some examples are as follows:
  - Local economic impact, neighborhood improvement, community improvement, neighborhood/Community beautification, unique design and/or unique use of materials.
- Can be new construction and/or renovation/restoration such as, but not limited to the following:
  - Commercial construction (office, retail, industrial, multi-family, etc.), community projects or community art.

The awards will be presented at a ceremony on October 10, 2018 at The Riverhouse on the Deschutes. Some examples of 2017 recipients were: Hydro Flask Headquarters, Mid Oregon Credit Union-La Pine Branch, the Old Masonic Lodge & Loft, Tykeson Hall - OSU Cascades, Redmond City Hall, 711 NW Georgia, The Bite, The Church-Lavabells Vacation Rentals and Worthy Brewing Company Addition and Observatory. COAR is currently accepting nominations for BBCO awards through April 2, 2018. For a nomination form please visit [www.coar.com](http://www.coar.com) or contact COAR at 541-382-6027 or [info@coar.com](mailto:info@coar.com).

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