

As a valued RSPA reseller member, we wanted to make you aware of several important updates related to the [RSPA Vendor Awards of Excellence](#) and the [RSPA Scholarship Program](#).

RSPA Awards Program Enhancements

The RSPA has a long standing tradition of honoring RSPA vendor members for outstanding achievement with our annual **Vendor Awards of Excellence**. **NEW this year** is an expansion of the program to allow even more engagement. The awards program will now seek nominations from the reseller member community to determine which vendor members will compete for top honors in one of six categories: Electronic Payments/Financing; Technology Distributor; Software; Software and Hardware; Hardware Manufacturer; and Reseller Support Services.

The nomination process is easy and just takes a few minutes. [Click here](#) to **nominate your vendor of choice. Nominations will be accepted until June 10th.**

Nominees for each of the six categories will be announced the week of June 13th and voting will take place on Monday, August 1st between 8 am-8 pm ET.

In an effort to help the **Vendor Awards of Excellence** be as inclusive and representative as possible, ALL registered RSPA reseller member employees will be able to vote for their vendor of choice. This expands the voter base from the prior one registered voter per reseller member. Those in attendance at RetailNOW, as well as those that are unable to attend the event, are eligible to vote during the voting period. Winners will be announced at the annual RSPA Awards Reception at RetailNOW the evening of Tuesday, August 2nd.

An expanded awards program for VARs and ISVs who serve the retail, hospitality, and grocery verticals is also being launched this year. The **Point Of Sale Pacesetter Awards**, a joint effort of RSPA and Business Solutions Magazine (BSM), will recognize the most innovative solution providers in the POS ecosystem. Wish to nominate a VAR or ISV? [Click here.](#)

RSPA Scholarship Program - Application Deadline: May 27th 2016

Benefit ONLY available to reseller members that have been in good standing for last 3 consecutive year. Deadline fast approaching for 2016 scholarship applications to be submitted- must be received by Fri 5/27. Go to www.GoRSPA.org/Scholarship for details and materials.

Should you have questions on these or any of the other RSPA programs and services, please visit www.GoRSPA.org or contact us at 800.782.2693.

