

# Herman Miller Named 2019 Class I Corporation of the Year by the National Minority Supplier Development Council

The [National Minority Supplier Development Council \(NMSDC\)](#) names Herman Miller the 2019 Class I Corporation of the Year for leadership in supplier diversity. The Corporation of the Year Award represents the very best in minority business inclusion practices and utilization, and is the premier national award presented by NMSDC.

“We are very proud of the advancements we have made in supplier diversity over the last 30 years,” said Andi Owen, Herman Miller President and CEO. “We know that by intentionally working with a diverse range of suppliers, each bringing a unique and valuable perspective, we can spark new ideas, strengthen Herman Miller as an organization, and contribute to a more inclusive and sustainable community.”

Herman Miller has been recognized 12 times over the last 14 years as “Corporation of the Year” by the Michigan Minority Supplier Development Council. This is Herman Miller’s first national supplier diversity honor.

Selected for the company’s robust supplier diversity program, Herman Miller demonstrates a commitment to minority businesses through active participation in NMSDC and its affiliate councils, inclusive sourcing and qualification metrics, and community outreach programs created to stimulate minority business development.

“Herman Miller is proud to collaborate with NMSDC and other corporations to advocate for minority firms in the global corporate supply chain,” said Kent Ensing, VP of Global Supply Management. “We continue to focus on growing and supporting our diverse suppliers, while expanding the economic impact for the communities where we live and work.”

Corporation of the Year awards are presented in five classes. Herman Miller was recognized in Class I, for businesses with less than \$10 billion annual revenue. Winners in other classes included Merck, Kaiser Permanente, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, and Ford.

Learn more about the award [here](#).

## About Herman Miller

Herman Miller is a globally recognized provider of furnishings and related technologies and services. Since its inception in 1905, the company has relied on innovative design to help people do great things. The global design leader has evolved into Herman Miller Group, a family of brands that collectively offers a variety of products for environments where people live, learn, work, and heal. The family of brands includes Colebrook Bosson Saunders, Design Within Reach, Geiger, HAY, Maars Living Walls, Maharam, naughtone, Nemschoff, and Herman Miller. For more information visit [www.hermanmiller.com/about-us](http://www.hermanmiller.com/about-us)

## About NMSDC

NMSDC is one of the country’s leading corporate membership organizations, chartered in 1972 to provide increased procurement and business opportunities for minority businesses of all sizes. The NMSDC advances business opportunities for certified minority business enterprises (MBEs) and connects them to corporate members. The NMSDC network includes a National Office in New York and 23 affiliate regional councils across the country. The network also includes five international partner organizations located in the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, China and South Africa. To meet the growing need for supplier diversity, NMSDC matches its more than 12,000 certified minority-owned businesses to their network of more than 1,750 corporate members who wish to purchase their products, services and solutions.

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