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Karrie Gibson
2011/2012 NAPW Professional Woman of the Year
Award-Winning Ethics for Business and the Environment

Karrie Gibson, President/Owner for **Vintage Tech Recyclers, Inc.**, is being honored as a 2011/2012 Professional Woman of the Year by National Association of Professional Women, a prestigious distinction awarded by the 200,000-strong membership of NAPW who join together to develop innovative business and social relationships.

What makes Karrie Gibson stand out as an extraordinary businesswoman is more than her impeccable ethics and her results-oriented leadership. It is her dedication to humanitarian values and her devotion to environmental accountability that makes her a truly visionary entrepreneur.

Ms. Gibson turned her personal passion for the Responsible Recycling (known as R2) of electronic devices into her mission as a businesswoman. She founded Vintage Tech Recyclers in 2005 to promote environmentally safe and cost-efficient ways to reuse, donate, and recycle the hi-tech detritus of the 21st-century lifestyle. The outstanding integrity of Ms. Gibson’s fiscal management has enabled Vintage Tech Recyclers to operate debt-free, and has earned her an impressive roster of clients that includes Fortune 500 companies, state and local government agencies, school districts, and large-scale consumer programs.

Ms. Gibson’s superlative business achievements were recently featured as part of the Women in Business/Chicago section of *Forbes Magazine* for its **100 Most Powerful Women** issue. Ms. Gibson was noted for her woman-owned recycling business and for exceeding the R2, ISO 14001, and the Women Business Enterprise National Certification standards. She was also lauded for her consultation to the Illinois State Legislature to institute recycling programs that do not rely on a single dollar of tax revenue.

Equally compelling are Ms. Gibson’s philanthropic activities. Her firm routinely donates working computers and materials to schools, the state police, the Chicago Fire Department, food banks, and women’s shelters. The company’s Habitat for Humanity partnership will fund construction of homes in Illinois and other states. Ms. Gibson has also succeeded in fulfilling her mission to contribute to the economic prosperity of the local community by growing her workforce by double-digits in the past five years.

Links:

Website: <http://www.vintagetechrecyclers.com/>
NAPW: <http://www.napw.com/profile/10650938/Karrie-Gibson/>
LinkedIn: <http://www.linkedin.com/pub/karrie-gibson/6/b6a/780>

Karrie Gibson

President/Owner

Company:

Vintage Tech Recyclers, Inc.

Awards & Accomplishments:

Better Business Bureau 2011 Torch Award; Electronic Recycler of the Year Award from the Illinois Recycling Association; seven-time recipient of Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) grant; Board of Director for Habitat for Humanity/Illinois Recycling Association

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