# **About Baldrige**

### Who We Are

The Baldrige Program is the nation's public-private partnership dedicated to performance excellence. The Baldrige Program

- · Raises awareness about the importance of performance excellence in driving the U.S. and global economy
- Provides organizational assessment tools and criteria
- Educates leaders in businesses, schools, health care organizations, and government and nonprofit agencies about the practices of best-in-class organizations
- Recognizes national role models and honors them with the only Presidential Award for performance excellence

## What We Do

The Baldrige Program educates organizations in performance excellence management and administers the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. We are the nation's public-private partnership dedicated to improving the performance of U.S. organizations. Our main focus areas are to

- Help organizations achieve best-in-class levels of performance
- Identify and recognize role-model organizations
- Identify and share best management practices, principles, and strategies

In collaboration with the greater Baldrige community, we offer organizations

- An integrated management framework that gets results
- Assessment tools to evaluate improvement efforts
- Feedback reports from a team of trained experts, highlighting organizational strengths and opportunities for improvement
- Presentations and workshops on how to improve using the Baldrige Criteria
- Conferences and other learning events that showcase best management practices
- A Presidential Award for organizations recognized as national role models
- Baldrige-based approaches to community excellence and cybersecurity risk management

### Mission

To improve the competitiveness and performance of U.S. organizations for the benefit of all U.S. residents, the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program is a customer-focused federal change agent that

- Develops and disseminates evaluation criteria
- Manages the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award
- Promotes performance excellence
- Provides global leadership in the learning and sharing of successful strategies and performance practices, principles, and methodologies

## Core Values

- Deliver a consistently positive customer experience
- Value and empower our workforce
- Think and act ethically
- Think and act strategically