

2022 Trailblazer Award

NAED's Women in Industry has helped create an environment that changed how women viewed the potential opportunities they had in the industry—a change that is developing new leaders who can bring their ideas and energy to companies in every segment of the industry. The Women in Industry Trailblazer Award is given to a woman who has had an exceptional career in distribution and has had a positive impact on supporting women in the electrical distribution industry. The award is based on cumulative contributions and will be given at the discretion of the NAED Awards Committee and members of the Women in Industry committee.

Details of the Trailblazer Award nomination process:

- Nominees must be women employed or who have had a career in electrical distribution (with a distributor or a manufacturing company).
- Nominations will be accepted from Jan. 3, 2022 through March 31, 2022. All nominations must be submitted via [this electronic entry system](#). (Link will not work until Jan. 3, 2022.)
- You may not nominate yourself.
- You can nominate more than one person—however, you must complete and submit one nomination at a time.
- There is no charge for submission.
- Want to get an early start? Prepare your comments in advance (see below), then copy/paste into the submission form.
- If you need further instruction or have additional questions, email Misty Byers, *tED* editor, at mbyers@naed.org.

INFORMATION NEEDED FOR THE NOMINATION:

1. Nominee's first and last name, place of employment, email address, and city/state

2. The following information:

Why does this person deserve the Trailblazer Award? *Please tell the judges in 500 words or less why you think your nominee deserves this honor.*

How has the nominee supported women in the industry? *Please tell the judges in 500 words or less the ways in which your nominee has had a positive impact on supporting women in the electrical distribution industry.*

How has the nominee provided change for women in the industry? *In 500 words or less, please provide examples of your nominee's use of leadership skills and innovation to provide change for women in the electrical distribution industry.*

How is the nominee continuing to influence/mentor women in the industry? *In 500 words or less, please provide examples of how your nominee continues to influence and mentor other women in the electrical distribution industry.*

Optional additional comments. *Please provide any additional information you may want the judges to know about your nominee. (500-word limit.)*

Recommendation. *Please provide at least one recommendation for someone to give a toast to the nominee at the NAED Annual Awards dinner (if selected).*

The Trailblazer Award winner will be featured in the [June issue of tED magazine](#) and recognized at [NAED's Women in Industry Forum](#) and [NAED's National Meeting](#).