

# 29th annual call for nominations

## yw tribute to women

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Northeast Tennessee and Southwest Virginia

### YWCA NETN and SWVA invites you to nominate an exceptional woman for a YW Tribute to Women award.

For the past 29 years, Tribute to Women has been honoring Northeast Tennessee and Southwest Virginia women who NURTURE, EMPOWER, or TRANSFORM their community. This program recognizes 3 award recipients, from each of the nomination categories, at an inspirational banquet each spring, and serves as the YWCA's largest corporate fund-raiser.

Organizations are encouraged to nominate a woman by February 14, 2020, for this prestigious award. Women residing or employed in the YWCA service area (map below) are eligible. An organization or business may only nominate one candidate.

The nomination process is simple:

**1. Complete the nomination form and short-answer questions.**

**2. Submit the nomination materials by February 14.**

Online: [ywcatnva.org](http://ywcatnva.org)

Email: [Tribute@ywcatnva.org](mailto:Tribute@ywcatnva.org)

Fax: 423.968.5937

Mail: 106 State Street | Bristol, TN 37620

**3. Celebrate your nominee's accomplishments!**

Every nominee will receive a certificate of recognition, and award recipients will be honored at a banquet in Spring 2020.

Sponsorship opportunities are available for any company interested in regional marketing or supporting the YWCA programs. For more information, please contact Kathy Waugh at 423.968.9444.



**YWCA Northeast Tennessee and Southwest Virginia Serves:**

**8 counties in Northeast Tennessee:**

Carter, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan, Washington and Unicoi

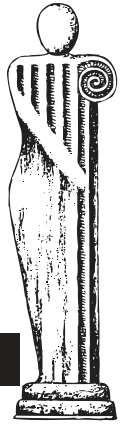
**13 counties in Southwest Virginia:**

Bland, Buchanan, Carroll, Dickenson, Grayson, Lee, Russell, Scott, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Wise and Wythe

# nomination form

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## NOMINATING CRITERIA

Candidates for the YWCA Tribute to Women award must possess the following attributes:

- The qualities of an effective leader in her field.
- Significant growth and achievement in her area of expertise
- Evidence of her impact and contributions within her organization or the community
- Employment or contributions made in the YWCA service areas: 8 counties in Northeast Tennessee and 13 counties in Southwest Virginia.
- Candidates may only be nominated once a year. If multiple organizations are nominating, please list on page 2.
- If selected as a Tribute recipient, the candidate must attend the awards banquet in the Spring.

Please note: Current members of the YWCA Board, Staff, Junior Board, Board Committees or Tribute to Women Steering Committee may not be nominated.

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

(As nominee would like printed on all materials)

Cell/Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### NURTURE

The nominee excels in a position or role through which her abilities as a leader and mentor have resulted in the flourishing and accomplishments of her organization, team, students or community. She has a long-lasting commitment to a cause, place, or group of people who benefit from her inspiration and efforts, which has been renewed or is thriving due to her particular influence.

### EMPOWER

The nominee is a groundbreaking individual who has blazed a new trail in her field or company. She has taken on challenging assignments and created new opportunities for herself, other women and/or under-served groups. While setting and achieving consistently high standards of professional success for herself, she also fosters a strong sense of volunteerism and public service in those around her.

### TRANSFORM

The nominee sparks change through inspiration and improvement of a community or organization. Through exemplary leadership and vision she is a catalyst, a creative influencer who others can follow.

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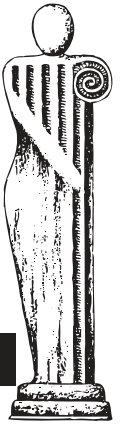
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Please answer the following questions. Responses should be no more than 300 words per question. Please use no smaller than 12 point font. This form provides the only information our out-of-state judges will have about your nominee. Please provide as much detail as possible about your nominee's past and present duties and accomplishments.

1. What qualities does your nominee possess that make her an effective leader in her category?
2. How has your nominee demonstrated skill development and growth within the category of her nomination?
3. What achievements has your nominee made, personally and/or professionally, that are evidence of her qualifications for the Tribute award?
4. Please share a brief story that illustrates a specific contribution made by your nominee, as well as her overall impact in her business, organization, and/or community.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (nominee's signature required) have approved the above nominating information.

**Nominating Organization(s) Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominating Organization Representative's Signature (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Tribute to Women?

Advertisement: \_\_\_\_\_ If so, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Radio: \_\_\_\_\_

Internet: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing: \_\_\_\_\_

Word of Mouth: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 1. Plan

- Ask your candidate for permission to nominate her.
- Spend a few moments with her to gather information for the form, including her full name, title, address, etc., as well as her activities, honors, and affiliations. Ask for a copy of her resume if she has one, and a brief story that illustrates her contributions.

## 2. Organize

- As you draft responses to the application questions, paint the big picture of your nominee's greatest accomplishments and support the overall picture with specific details about her contributions. All Tribute judges live and work out of the states of Tennessee and Virginia. The only way they can get to know your candidate is through your words.
- While many nominees have accomplishments in several areas, be sure to emphasize your candidate's achievements in only one selected nomination category: Nurture, Empower, Transform.
- Emphasize your candidate's leadership qualities, personal growth, level of achievement, and the positive impact her efforts have had on others.

## 3. Submit

- Submissions are due to YWCA NETN and SWVA, 106 State Street, Bristol, TN 37620 by February 14, 2020. Nominations may be mailed, hand delivered, emailed, faxed or submitted online at [www.ywcatnva.org](http://www.ywcatnva.org).
- Forms must be filled out completely and signed by both the nominator and the nominee. Unsigned forms will not be accepted. If submitting online, please complete the e-signature with approval from the nominee.

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