



2026 NCEDA Lifetime Service Award Nomination Packet

The nomination period is now open for the 2026 NCEDA Lifetime Service Award—an honor created in 2022 to recognize members nearing retirement who have made outstanding contributions to NCEDA and the economic development profession throughout their careers. Recipients are selected by the NCEDA Board of Directors and will be recognized at the 2026 Fall Conference. Help us celebrate those who have gone above and beyond in service to our organization and our state!

CRITERIA

Nominees must meet the following requirements in order to be nominated:

- Nominees do not have to be retired but do have to meet an age requirement of 50.
- Nominees must have a minimum of 20 years of engaged service to NCEDA.
- Nominees must be a present member of NCEDA with demonstrated impact to the economic development profession and multiple years of leadership and service to the association.
- Members cannot nominate themselves for this award.

The nomination packet should include the following items to be considered for selection:

- Completed nomination form.
- Cover letter by nominator explaining how the nominee has made significant and measurable contributions to NCEDA over the course of their career.
- Resume or biography of nominee highlighting his/her service to NCEDA.

SUBMISSION

The nomination packet should be submitted to torsha@nceda.org by 5 pm **Friday, September 18, 2026**. A confirmation email will be sent upon submission. If you do not receive a confirmation email, please call Torsha at 888.246.2332 to ensure the nomination was received. Award recipients will be recognized at the Fall Conference in Asheville on October 20.

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Name: _____

Organization: _____

County: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

NCEDA 2026 Lifetime Service Award Nomination Form

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Employer: _____

County: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Nominee Age: _____ Years of NCEDA Membership: _____

Please detail the nominee's involvement and contributions to NCEDA over the years: