

**AJFCA 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**  
**April 22-24, 2012**  
**The Houston Intercontinental Hotel**  
**Houston, TX**

**2012 TrailBlazer AWARD**  
(The deadline for voting is March 12, 2012)

The Association of Jewish Family and Children's Agencies wishes to honor member agency professionals and volunteer leaders who have blazed new trails in outstanding service to their JF&CS agency by providing visionary service to their community. We can only honor individuals attending the Annual Conference and who have not previously received this award. The Conference program booklet will include brief biographies and photos of the honorees. Honorees will receive a beautiful award. Nomination guidelines are listed below.

**Nomination Guidelines**

All agencies who would like to honor one professional and/or one volunteer leader with a TrailBlazer Award should please send an email to Megan Manelli, AJFCA Manager of Membership Services & Communications at [mmanelli@ajfca.org](mailto:mmanelli@ajfca.org) containing the following information:

- ❖ Nominee(s) full name and title
- ❖ Nominee(s) position within the agency
- ❖ Full name of the agency
- ❖ Name, title and contact information of the person submitting the nomination
- ❖ Please attach a biography of the nominee(s) approximately 150 words in length. Please include a brief description of the visionary service they have provided to their agency and the impact this service has had on the agency.
- ❖ Please attach a jpeg picture of the nominee(s)
- ❖ Please indicate whether this award will be a surprise for the nominee

**All nominations must be submitted by email to Megan Manelli no later than March 12, 2012.**

**Nominee Voting**

- ❖ Each agency is limited to ten votes. Vote for one professional and one volunteer nominee only through the online survey.
- ❖ Only CEOs/EDs of member agencies are receiving this email. Please forward this message to agency staff and volunteers who will be casting votes.
- ❖ Votes may be cast from Wednesday, March 14th – Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Voting will close on Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm EST.

**Award Recognition**

- ❖ The professional and volunteer nominees receiving the most votes will be declared the Professional AJFCA TrailBlazer and Volunteer AJFCA TrailBlazer.
- ❖ Award winners will receive one complimentary registration for AJFCA's 2013 Annual Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.