

## Kara Hopkins

Tradeswomen Heroes Award

Winner - January 2025



**Level of Experience:** Apprentice

**Years in Trade:** 1.5 years

**Union:** Ironworkers

**Local:** 37

**City:** Chepachet, Rhode Island

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### Bio

I graduated from Ponagansett High School in 2018, took woodshop and agriculture, did misc metal and mechanic work after school, and then became a tree arborist for Stanley Tree Company. I was organized into the apprenticeship by Local 37.

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### Why Nominate Kara?

Kara has been employed by Black and Veatch in the Port of New Bedford where they are supporting the Vineyard Wind Project by unloading, stacking and reloading the vessels that transport the pieces of the wind turbines offshore for Vineyard Wind.

Kara is a tremendously hard worker and has gained the respect of the other trades on the jobsite for her great attitude and commitment to getting tasks done safely and on time. I have no doubt that Kara will continue to be an asset for Local 37 for years to come.