## 2025 HORATIO ALGER ASSOCIATION ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATION AND APPLICATION FORM

### **About the Award**

Each year the Horatio Alger Association recognizes one Alumni Scholar who has earned an undergraduate degree and distinguished themselves academically, professionally, and/or philanthropically.

The 2025 Alumnus of the Year Award includes a \$10,000 grant from the Association and recognition through Association publications. The grant funds may be used towards continuing education, previous educational loans, or as a \$10,000 donation to the recipient's high school for scholarships in 2025.

Alumni are encouraged to self-nominate or nominate a fellow alum by following the established guidelines for eligibility (listed below) and completing the application process.

#### **Eligibility Guidelines**

- Previous recipients may not apply. This is a onetime award.
- Nominees must have received their first undergraduate degree on or before December 31, 2019.
- Nominees must demonstrate integrity, determination, and perseverance in overcoming adversity.
- Nominees must have made significant contributions to their academic, professional, and/or personal community.
- Nominees must be committed to the mission and value of the Horatio Alger Association.

#### **Nominee Information**

Full Name:									
	Include maiden nar	ne, if applicable							
Address 1:									
Address 2:									
City:			State:		Zip:				
Email:			Phone:		Mobile:				
Employer:				Professional Title:					
Highest Degree Achieved:			Scholar Year:						
Please check the appropriate box: ☐ Self-nomination ☐ Nomination of Peer  Nominator Information (you do not need to complete this portion if self-nominating)									
Full Name:	Include maiden nan	ne, if applicable							
Address 1: Address 2:									
City:			State:		Zip:				
Email:			Phone:		Mobile:				
Scholar Year:	:								
Signature (nominator)					Date:				

NOTE: If nominating someone else, it is the nominator's responsibility to see that the nominee completes the resume and essay requirements by the deadline below.

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**Essays** 

Essays <b>must be completed by the nominee.</b> Please type your essays in the space provided.									
Personal Statement In no more than 500 words, please write your personal statement in the space below. We encourage you to type your essay in Microsoft Word and then copy and paste it into the space below.									
Use this space to tell us about yourself. Be certain to consider the following:  Academic, professional and personal accomplishments  Efforts in overcoming the challenges in your life since becoming a Scholar									

#### **Horatio Alger Essay**

In no more than 500 words, please respond to the prompt in the space below. We encourage you to type your essay in Microsoft Word and then copy and paste it into the space below.

Please identify an academic, professional, or personal need that you have observed in the Horatio Alger Scholar **or** Alumni communities. Propose steps that the Alumni Association might take to address the issue. Be certain to consider the following:

- ❖ The Alumni Association is volunteer run and does not have a budget
- Several hundred scholars join the Alumni Association each year
- ❖ There are thousands of Scholars engaged with the Association each year

#### **Materials**

The following information must be completed and submitted:

- Nomination Form
- Resume
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation, with at least one letter highlighting professional, civic, or philanthropic accomplishments.

The Nomination Form and Resume must be uploaded by 11:59 p.m. (EST) on December 29, 2024 to the online submission form via the website: https://horatioalger.org/alumnus-of-the-year-nominations

The Two (2) Letters of Recommendation must be submitted to <u>alumni@horatioalger.org</u> by 11:59 p.m. (EST) on December 29, 2024. Letters must be attached as either a .doc, .docx, or .pdf file. No other formats will be accepted.

If you have any questions, please email us at alumni@horatioalger.org.