

2024 Thriving As Leaders Award/Volunteer Leadership and Service Category - Nomination Form

Dear Association Member,

Please use this form to nominate Association members for the 2024 Thriving As Leaders Award in the Volunteer Leadership and Service (VLS) category.

The purpose of the Volunteer Leadership and Service award is to recognize exemplars who are "thriving as leaders in and out of uniform" through volunteer service and their donation of time and talent to causes that matter to them and, through that recognition, inspire others in our community toward greater heights of volunteer leadership and service. Over time, all Association members should see themselves represented among these exemplars, setting an example for what it means to "thrive as leaders in and out of uniform" across a wide range of volunteer service and leadership opportunities in our community and society.

Qualifying volunteer leadership and service for this award can be distinctive service to a particular cause or causes, or can be a cumulative body of volunteer leadership and service over the course of the nominee's lifetime.

Qualifying volunteer leadership and service for this award may or may not directly benefit the alumni community, though all qualifying service and leadership must be of the nature to bring credit upon the alumni community.

Nominations must be submitted by 5PM EDT 1 August 2024 to be considered for the 2024 Thriving As Leaders award cycle. Any nominations submitted after 5PM EDT 1 August 2024 will be considered for the 2025 Thriving As Leaders award cycle.

**Nominator, Nominee, and Award Category Information;
Attestation of Eligibility**

1. Nominator *

Please enter your first and last name, USNA class year (if applicable), and best contact email and phone below

2. Type of Nomination *

Please indicate below the type of nomination for this submission

- First nomination for this nominee in this category
- Re-nomination for this nominee in this category (this submission is exactly the same as a previous year's submission)
- Re-nomination for this nominee in this category with additional content (this submission builds on and adds to a previous year's submission for the same nominee and category)

3. Nominee *

Please enter the first and last name and USNA class year (if applicable) of the Association member being nominated.

4. Nominee Contact Information *

Please enter the best email and contact phone for the nominee.

5. Please select the nominee's type of Association membership *

- Alumni and graduate of USNA
- Alumni and non-graduate of USNA
- Associate member (Parent, Spouse, USNA Faculty or Staff)
- Provisional member (current midshipman)
- Honorary member
- Unknown

6. Sorry. You must know the type of membership the nominee holds before proceeding further. *

Please call the Alumni Association at 410-295-4000, or email membership@usna.com, to determine the type of membership held by the nominee. What would you like to do now?

- Return to the previous question.
- Exit the form

7. Attestation *

Please check below if the statement is true - check all that apply

- The nominee is a living member of the Association in good standing.
- The nominee has not already received a Thriving As Leaders award in the Volunteer Leadership and Service category.
- The nominee was not paid for the leadership and service for which they are being nominated.
- The nominee agrees to be nominated for the award and if selected will make their best effort to attend the award ceremony.
- The nominee agrees to a background check as part of the selection process.

8. Attestation *

Please check below if the statement is true - check all that apply

- The nominee is a living member of the Association in good standing.
- The nominee has not already received a Thriving As Leaders award in the Volunteer Leadership and Service category.
- The nominee was not paid for the leadership and service for which they are being nominated.
- The nominee agrees to be nominated for the award and if selected will make their best effort to attend the award ceremony.
- The nominee agrees to a background check as part of the selection process.
- The nominee's leadership and service had a direct or indirect benefit on the alumni community

9. The submission will not be accepted if any of the above six boxes above are blank. If any of the above four boxes are blank, please explain why here.

10. The submission will not be accepted if any of the above five boxes above are blank. If any of the above four boxes are blank, please explain why here.

11. Please select the choice that best describes the nominee's qualifying volunteer leadership and service.

- An act of service (1 year or less)
- A span of service (between 1 and 15 years)
- A lifetime of service (over 15 years)

12. Please provide the inclusive dates in which the qualifying leadership and service occurred, in month and year format.

13. Please summarize the nominee's qualifying volunteer leadership and service in two short sentences.

14. Was the nominee paid for any portion of the leadership and service for which they are being nominated?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

15. Sorry, the nominee is not eligible for the VLS award if they were paid for the leadership and service for which they are being nominated. What would you like to do now?

- I was mistaken, the nominee was NOT paid for their leadership and service for which they are being nominated, let me continue with the nomination
- Exit the form

16. In the box below and in 400 words or less, please describe why you believe the nominee's volunteer leadership and service is noteworthy within the community or communities served. *

17. In the box below and in 400 words or less, please describe why you believe the nominee's volunteer leadership and service is/was an important benefit to the community or communities served by the nominee. *

18. In the box below and in 400 words or less, please describe why you believe the nominee's volunteer leadership and service evokes a feeling of esprit de corps among fellow members who learn of the nominee's qualifying volunteer leadership and service. *

19. If desired, please use the space below to share with the selection panel any additional information you believe is relevant to the nominee's worthiness of being selected for the award.

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