



Community Leader Award

This award celebrates an exceptional individual who has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to better their community. Whether through professional or volunteer service, this alum makes a significant and positive impact on the lives of others and embodies the values of diversity, equity, inclusion and social justice.

Award Qualifications:

Nominees may be a graduate student, undergraduate student, alum or any University supporter within the community. University faculty and staff are not eligible.

Award Criteria:

Decisions will be based on nominee's professional and/or volunteer work that occurred between June 1, 2022 and May 23, 2023 and includes:

- A demonstrated and sustained passion advocating for the advancement of diversity and contribution to increasing diversity within the University and their community.
- Addressing critical social, economic, health, or environmental needs throughout our society
- Pursuing passion projects that benefit the greater good and driving change through philanthropy.
- Their efforts must recognize and respect the value of individual differences such as race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, sex, age, disability, veteran or military service status, gender identity, economic status, political belief, marital status or social background.
- Demonstration of sustained commitment and/or to activate change within their industry, local community and/or the University community in respect to diversity, equity, inclusion and social justice.

Nomination Requirements:

- Community Leader Nomination Form of no more than five pages total. **Must be in Word or PDF format.** (Note: submissions typed on another document and/or over the five page limit will not be considered.)
- A Letter of Recommendation that meets the following requirements:
 - No more than one page in length (note: submissions over the one page limit will not be considered);
 - Describes how length of time and context (in what capacity) the writer has known the nominee;

- Describes the nominee's outstanding contributions to advocating for the advancement of diversity and inclusion within the University and their community between June 1, 2022 and May 23, 2023. Provides specific examples and measurements of how the nominee demonstrated a sustained commitment and/or to activate change within their industry, local community and/or the University community in respect to diversity, equity, inclusion and social justice;
- **Must be in PDF format.**
- All nomination **materials must be submitted to Brittany Jamison via email (jami0053@umn.edu) by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23, 2023.**