



## 4-H CANADA DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of the new Distinguished Alumni Award is to recognize the outstanding accomplishments and leadership of 4-H alumni in an area of Community Engagement and Communications, Science & Technology, Environment & Healthy Living, or Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security. There will be one recipient awarded in 2019. The award will be presented at the 4-H Leadership Awards on January 31, 2019.

### **ELIGIBILITY OF NOMINEES:**

- Nominee must have participated in the 4-H program in Canada as a youth member.
- Demonstrate a commitment to supporting youth and/or active mentoring of youth and be a role model of the 4-H values (strategic thinking, service, loyalty & healthy living). Nominations will also be evaluated on personal accomplishment in a field related to a 4-H Canada Leadership Development Pillar (Community Engagement & Communications, Science & Technology, Environment & Healthy Living, or Sustainable Agriculture & Food Security).
- Nominees do not need to be currently involved with the 4-H program.
- Individuals cannot self-nominate.
- Current members of the Alumni Advisory Working Group, 4-H Canada Board of Directors or 4-H professionals are not eligible.

### ***Selection Process***

Only nominations received through the online application will be considered for the Distinguished Alumni Award. Nominator must submit a completed application and a reference letter from another individual. The nominator does not need to be affiliated with 4-H Canada through membership.

4-H Canada will compile nominations and verify nominees' eligibility with their respective provinces. All eligible nominations will be provided to the Board Development Committee of the 4-H Canada Board of Directors to review and make a recommendation to the Board of Directors to select the award recipient. Nominees will be evaluated on their 4-H experience, personal accomplishments, character and commitment to supporting youth.

4-H Canada will notify the winner by November 21, 2018 and arrange transportation and further promotional plans.

### **IMPORTANT**

- The nominee should be advised and be given the opportunity to assist with the nomination package.

- The recipient is expected to attend the 4-H Leadership Awards on January 31, 2019 to accept their award. 4-H Canada will provide support for travel arrangements for the award recipient to attend this evening.
- Successful nominees agree to participate in publicity efforts surrounding the awards, which may include a videotaped interview, a photo shoot and interviews for alumni publications and news media.
- Nomination deadline: October 1, 2018 4:00 PM EST

WEIGHTING OF SELECTION CRITERIA (For internal use)

<b>Application Criteria - Submitted by Nominator</b>	<b>Point Breakdown</b>
<b>4-H EXPERIENCE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- List years nominee was a 4-H member</li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;"># Projects completed</li> <li>- Describe the nominee’s involvement and achievements in 4-H</li> <li>- Describe how the 4-H program impacted the nominee and helped shape their career path</li> </ul>	40 points total:  10 10 20
<b>PERSONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS</b> What has the nominee accomplished that sets him/her/them apart?	20 points
<b>CHARACTER</b> How does the nominee demonstrate a commitment to living the values of the 4-H pledge (strategic thinking, service, loyalty and healthy living)?	20 points
<b>SUPPORTING FUTURE GENERATIONS</b> How does the nominee demonstrate his / her / their commitment to supporting youth and future leaders?	20 points
<b>Reference Letter from another individual</b>	20 points
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>120</b>