



## **NOMINATION FORM: RISING ACTIVIST [SECOND YEAR]**

This award honors an individual under the age of 40 connected to Greater Cleveland Community Shares whose demonstrable contributions of social justice activism and efforts in the past year set a strong example for inspiring new leadership and engagement in social justice in Greater Cleveland. **Incomplete nominations will not be considered.**

### **Nominee Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Shares Organization(s), if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Nominator Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Shares Organization(s), if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Nominating Essay (1-3 pages)**

Please attach a brief essay illustrating the reasons to honor this nominee. Guiding samples and questions that you might address include:

- Why should this person be honored with the Rising Star Award? Describe how this person fits the description of *“an individual under the age of 40 connected to Greater Cleveland Community Shares whose demonstrable contributions of social justice activism and efforts in the past year set a strong example for young adult leadership and engagement in the social justice arena in Greater Cleveland.”*
- What social justice issue(s) are impacted by the nominee’s efforts?
- How does their leadership set an example and/or empower other young adults to engage in social justice activism?
- What evidence can you provide to illustrate the effectiveness of their social justice efforts?
- How are they innovating or breaking new ground in their work for social justice?
- What networks, circles of influence, and/or collaborations are they influencing with their efforts?
- What specific campaigns and/or initiatives have they created and/or been involved with?
- What publications or coverage demonstrate their leadership?
- Whose lives are improved by the leadership of this nominee?

**IMPORTANT: Please attach any additional material that illustrate the nominee’s leadership as a young adult social justice influencer, highlight the nominee’s commitment to social justice, and/or provide supportive information to the essay.** Additional material can include, but is not limited to:

- A letter or letters of recommendation from someone other than the sponsor/nominator
- Articles (newsletter, bulletin, newspaper, online media, etc.) highlighting the work of the nominee
- Photos showing the nominee’s social justice activities