

HORATIO
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ASSOCIATION
of Distinguished Americans, Inc.

40TH ANNIVERSARY
OF SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Protecting & Ensuring the American Dream for Future Generations

FREEDOM TO DREAM... OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE.

For 40 years, the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans has inspired and invested in generations of young people to strive and achieve their dreams by providing educational scholarships.

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans has recognized individuals of exceptional accomplishment to remind us all that dreams can be achieved in America regardless of one's circumstances or background.

To raise awareness about the power and promise of the American Dream, the Association annually honors outstanding leaders who have attained remarkable success despite facing adversities and hardships by bestowing upon them the Horatio Alger Award and inducting them as lifetime Members.

Since 1947, more than 780 distinguished individuals from all walks of life and diverse professional backgrounds have received the Horatio Alger Award. There are currently more than 300 living Horatio Alger Members.

Next year in Washington, D.C., the Association will once again celebrate and award individual Americans who have overcome significant adversities and have defied the odds to reach great success in their chosen fields. In sharing their personal life stories of hard work, perseverance, and resilience, they inspire others to pursue their American Dream.

Horatio Alger Association Members serve as **role models** and **mentors**, investing in the future by providing **college** and **technical scholarships** to young people who also are striving to reach their goals despite significant difficulties and hardships.

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The Horatio Alger Association Scholarship Program is one of the largest, privately funded need-based scholarship programs in the U.S. and Canada.

Since the program's inception in 1984, Horatio Alger Members have provided over **\$265 million in need-based scholarships to 37,000 Horatio Alger Scholars** – more than half of whom are **first-generation college students**. This has only been possible through the generous commitment and philanthropy of the Association's Members.

With the invaluable dedication of Horatio Alger Members to assist the next generation, the Association provides promising young people with critical financial, academic, and personal support. Offering scholarships and services enables Horatio Alger Scholars to stay on the course to graduation – creating a pivotal opportunity to transform their lives and launch successful careers post-graduation.

Horatio Alger Association Scholars have a 72% graduation rate compared to a 20% national average for low-income students.

In providing young men and women with the resources and confidence needed to overcome challenges – just as they did – Horatio Alger Members support the next generation of leaders, thinkers, visionaries, and doers to believe in the boundless possibilities available to them in a free society and to pursue their own American Dreams through hard work and perseverance.

The Horatio Alger Association celebrates all the individuals on this year's Forbes 400 list, including many of our distinguished Members, whose incredible accomplishments and success are borne of their own perseverance and determination.