

ALARACT 056/2024

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SUBJ/ALARACT 056/2024 – CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 MAJOR GENERAL HAROLD J. GREENE INNOVATION AWARD

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1. (U) REFERENCE: ARMY FUTURES COMMAND (AFC) MAJOR GENERAL (MG) HAROLD J. GREENE INNOVATION AWARD SUBMISSION GUIDELINES (ATTACHMENT 1)

2. (U) PURPOSE: THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES GUIDANCE FOR SUBMITTING NOMINATIONS TO AFC FOR THE FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024 MG HAROLD J. GREENE INNOVATION AWARD. EACH SUBMISSION CATEGORY WILL HAVE AN INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP WINNER.

3. (U) CATEGORIES FOR SUBMISSION: THIS YEAR AFC IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THREE CATEGORIES: INNOVATIONS DEALING WITH SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, ACQUISITION, AND TECHNOLOGY (SEAT), THE NON-SEAT (INNOVATIONS DEALING OUTSIDE OF SEAT), AND THE WARFIGHTER INNOVATION (INNOVATIONS FOR DEPLOYED PERSONNEL DOWNRANGE/SUPPORTING OPERATIONS).

4. (U) TYPE OF SUBMISSION: AN INDIVIDUAL (GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN OR MILITARY) OR GROUP (GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN, MILITARY, OR COMBINATION OF GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN AND MILITARY) MAY SUBMIT A NOMINATION FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED CATEGORIES. GENERAL OFFICER/SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE ENDORSEMENT MEMORANDUM FOR EACH NOMINATION IS REQUIRED AS DETAILED IN THE ATTACHED SUBMISSION GUIDELINES.

5. (U) FIELDING: FOR FY24 SUBMISSIONS, NOMINATED INNOVATIONS MUST HAVE BEEN FIRST FIELDIED, ADOPTED, AND/OR IMPLEMENTED DURING THE PERIOD OF 01 OCTOBER 2023 THROUGH 30 SEPTEMBER 2024.

6. (U) NOMINATIONS ARE REQUESTED FROM ALL ARMY COMMANDS; ARMY SERVICE COMPONENT COMMANDS; DIRECT REPORTING UNITS; ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND ENGINEERING CENTERS; ARMY LABORATORIES; PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICES; AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICES. FIELD OPERATING AGENCIES, AS WELL AS THE U.S.

ARMY RESERVE AND ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, MAY SUBMIT NOMINATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES.

7. (U) SUBMISSION GUIDELINES: INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM NOMINATIONS WILL FOLLOW THE NOMINATION SUBMISSION GUIDELINES (ATTACHMENT 1). TEAM SUBMISSIONS REQUIRE A SEPARATE LIST OF INDIVIDUAL NOMINEE NAMES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION BE PROVIDED. (A SAMPLE SUMMARY TABLE FOR TEAM NOMINATIONS IS LOCATED IN ATTACHMENT 2.)

7.A. (U) NOMINATIONS WILL BE ELECTRONICALLY SUBMITTED VIA THE [PORTAL LINK PAGE](#).

7.B. (U) IF THE LINK ISN'T WORKING, SUBMISSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY UPLOADING THEM TO THE MICROSOFT TEAMS CHANNEL. IN MICROSOFT TEAMS, ADD A NEW TEAM BY CLICKING ON THE PLUS ICON AND SELECTING THE JOIN TEAM OPTION IN THE SEARCH BAR TYPE IN: AFC-HQ-HCD-MG GREENE INNOVATION AWARD. ONCE THE TEAM HAS BEEN ADDED, LOCATE THE SUBMISSION TAB UNDER THE GENERAL CHANNEL.

8. (U) PACKETS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN 20 NOVEMBER 2024.

9. (U) AFC WILL ANNOUNCE ALL AWARD WINNERS VIA THE AFC AWARDS PAGE [HTTPS://WWW.ARMY.MIL/FUTURES#ORG-AWARDS](https://www.army.mil/futures#org-awards), AND AN ALARACT ANNOUNCEMENT IN FEBRUARY 2025.

10. (U) THE AWARDS CEREMONY WILL OCCUR IN MAY 2025 WITH A SPECIFIC DATE TO BE DETERMINED.

11. (U) THE AFC POINT OF CONTACT IS CHARLIE H. EVANS IV; COMMERCIAL (571) 644-4233 OR EMAIL AT USARMY.AUSTIN-TX.FUTURES-CMD.MBX.MG-GREENE-AWARD@ARMY.MIL.

12. (U) THIS ALARACT MESSAGE EXPIRES ON 2 JULY 2025.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. NOMINATION SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

2. TEAM NOMINATION SUBMISSION SUMMARY

U.S. ARMY FUTURES COMMAND (AFC) FISCAL YEAR 2024 MAJOR GENERAL GREENE INNOVATION AWARD SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Part A. GENERAL GUIDANCE

The Army Modernization Strategy (AMS) describes how the Total Army (Regular Army, National Guard, Army Reserve, and Civilians) are transforming the Army into a multi-domain ready force by 2023. To achieve this end state, the Army must modernize how we fight, what we fight with, and who we are. This approach integrates the elements of doctrine, organization, training, materiel, leadership and education, personnel, facilities, and policy (DOTMLPF-P). This award calls for innovations in all DOTMLPF-P areas.

The term innovation is the result of critical and creative thinking and the conversion of new ideas into valued outcomes. Innovation drives the development of new tools or methods. For the purpose of the Major General Greene Innovation Award Program, innovation is broadly defined as the action or process of innovating through change, alteration, revolution, transformation, or breakthrough. Innovation is further characterized by the terms: creativity, originality, ingenuity, inspiration, and inventiveness and is not limited to technologies, inventions, products, hardware, or software. Innovation can also take the form of new measures, methods, techniques, and modernization, which have military applications and utility that positively impact the Army mission.

1. Categories of Submission.

- SEAT: Innovations dealing with Science, Engineering, Acquisition, & Technology (SEAT)
- NON-SEAT: Innovations dealing with categories outside SEAT
- Warfighter Innovation: Innovations for deployed personnel downrange and/or
- supporting operations.

2. Type of Submission. Individuals may submit for any or all of the above-mentioned categories as an individual (Government civilian or military) or a group (combination of Government civilian or military). Team submissions must not exceed 10 total participants to include the Team Lead. Team submissions MUST include an Annex B. Annex B will be uploaded with the team of the individual followed by Annex B. For example, a team submission for New IT Solutions will be uploaded as New IT Solutions Annex B.

3. Nominations shall be submitted via the Major General Greene Innovation Award TEAMS page via a secure portal. Email submissions will NOT be accepted. The Teams page is listed as <https://dod.teams.microsoft.us//channel/19%3adod%3a702596ffc1be4d16bcd2caccba1a5c6%40thr%20ead.skype/General?groupId=e6e54ca5-513b-4877-bbe4-ebb0ab501b&tenantId=fae6d70f-954b-4811-92b6-0530d6f84c43>

4. The link to submit is here: [Submission Portal](#)

5. Packets are due no later than 20 November 2024.

6. Nominations MUST include a GO/SES Endorsement memo utilizing the attached template. See Annex A. Annex A will be uploaded with the name of the individual or team followed by Annex A. For example, an individual submission for Jack Smith will be uploaded as Smith Annex A.

Part B. FIELDING REQUIREMENTS

Nominated innovations must have been “first fielded, adopted, and/or implemented” during

FY2024: 1 October 2023 – 30 September 2024

1. The term “fielding” is broadly defined as the traditional, non-traditional, accelerated, special, emergency, or other approved methods that resulted in the nomination being used or adopted/implemented by the Solider and/or organization.

Part C. DATA COLLECTED

The following information is **required** to complete your submission. Do NOT send classified information.

- ✚ Is this an individual or team submission?
- ✚ What is your name (individual submission) or team name (team submission)
- ✚ If it is a team submission, you will need to submit Annex B with Team members information as required below:

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- ✚ What submission category do you want to be considered for (pick one): SEAT, NON-SEAT, or WARFIGHTER?
- ✚ What year was your submission fielded?
- ✚ What is your phone number?
- ✚ The ability to answer the following questions:
 - Is your submission a new or modification of an existing innovation?
 - Describe the problem you are trying to solve
 - How does your technique, invention, or methodology/process enhance readiness?
 - How does your technique, invention, or methodology impact the Solider, Unit, Organization, Policy, or the Army institution?
 - How is your technique, invention, or methodology unique or different?
 - Provide a description (in easy-to-understand terms) of your technique, invention, or methodology/process
 - What is the value of your technique, invention, or methodology/process?

Part D. POINT OF CONTACT: For questions, please contact Charlie H. Evans IV, 571-644-4233 or by email at usarmy.austin-tx.futures-cmd.mbx.mg-greene-award@army.mil

ANNEX A



Must be on official letterhead

Office symbol

Date

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Endorsement for the FY24 Major General Greene Innovation Award

1. This command (Specific higher headquarters and submitting organization) fully endorses the submission for (provide specific individual name or team name) for Fiscal year 24.
2. Justification for endorsement. From the senior leader's perspective, provide details on (1) the impact of this innovation to either the organization, multiple organizations, or the Army at large, (2) whether there are any patents or awards pending/given for this innovation, (3) the reason your organization feels this innovation win the award.
3. Point of contact. Provide email and telephone number of the first line supervisor of the innovation submitter.

SES or GO level Signature required

Rank

Title

ANNEX B

Rank or Dr.	Last Name	First Name	Organization	Higher Headquarters	Email	Address to mail certificate
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