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**Press release** 

### Automotive Aftermarket Charitable Foundation Announces Inaugural AACF humanitarian award sponsored by NEXUS North America

Sacramento, CA & Geneva – May 8, 2024 – The <u>Automotive Aftermarket</u> <u>Charitable Foundation (AACF)</u>, a 501c3 supporting people in the automotive aftermarket industry and their families during the hardest moments of their lives, is pleased to announce the first-ever AACF Humanitarian Award, generously sponsored by <u>NEXUS North America</u>. This prestigious award aims to recognize and honor outstanding individuals, companies, associations, or groups within the automotive aftermarket industry who have demonstrated exceptional dedication to improving the lives of others through humanitarian efforts.

The AACF Humanitarian Award seeks to highlight those who embody compassion, selflessness, and a profound sense of social responsibility. Nominees should have significantly contributed to positive change within their communities, whether locally, nationally, or globally.

Nominations for the AACF Humanitarian Award will open mid-June, providing an opportunity for industry members to nominate deserving candidates who have made an impact. The deadline for nominations is February 1, 2025.

"We are thrilled to introduce the AACF Humanitarian Award in partnership with NEXUS North America," **said Jon Owens, National Sales Manager for Epicor Software and President of the Board of AACF**. "This award represents a meaningful way to celebrate those in our industry who go above and beyond to make a difference in the lives of others. We encourage everyone to nominate individuals or organizations who exemplify the spirit of humanitarianism."

The selection process for the AACF Humanitarian Award will be rigorous, with nominees evaluated based on their demonstrated impact and commitment to humanitarian causes. The award recipient will be announced at a special ceremony during Connect 2025, bringing well-deserved recognition to their exceptional contributions.



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"On behalf of NEXUS North America and NEXUS Automotive International, I want to share our excitement to have this opportunity to support the AACF organization for this new, outstanding Humanitarian Award. We are honored to play a role in this initiative," said Robert Roos, President Pronto Network & NEXUS North America.

To submit a nomination or learn more about the AACF Humanitarian Award criteria, please visit <u>https://www.aftermarketcharity.org/humanitarianhero</u> starting mid-June 2024.

#### About Automotive Aftermarket Charitable Foundation (AACF)

The AACF was founded in 1959 to assist automotive aftermarket members and their families who, due to catastrophic illness or terrible accident, have exhausted all other available resources in maintaining a reasonable existence. AACF provides essential financial assistance, access to resources, and a support network to ensure that no one in the industry faces hardship alone. With the support of generous donors, AACF continues to make a positive impact on the lives of automotive aftermarket professionals across the nation. For more information visit <u>www.aftermarketcharity.org</u>

#### About NEXUS Automotive International

Established in 2014 by CEO Gaël Escribe, NEXUS Automotive International, the automotive aftermarket (AA) company, is shaping the future of the AA.

Thanks to an entrepreneurial, innovative and agile mindset, N! disrupts the industry bringing innovative solutions for a more sustainable, digital and connected mobility. At the same time, it supports its community of more than 457 members in 137 countries, allied with 76 global suppliers, by providing services to accelerate their growth.

N! is offering new approaches and new ideas for a connected, global and consolidated world of tomorrow to accelerate the success of car and heavy-duty spare parts and services distributors and manufacturers, through 16 regional structures that connect them.

NEXUS' consolidated turnover was more than 42 billion euros in 2023.

More information: NEXUS Automotive international

#### About NEXUS North America

Established in 2015, NEXUS North America is a regional NEXUS entity with Distributor Members located in USA, Canada and Mexico. The Members within NEXUS North America are APA/TruStar, APSG – ProntoNetwork & Federated, VIPAR Heavy Duty/Power Heavy Duty, Advance Auto Parts, CDO - Refaccionaría California and Uni-Select.

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