



VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION PROGRAM NOMINATION FORM 2019

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The Merced County Board of Supervisors appreciates the hard work and efforts of the many volunteers in Merced County. In recognition of their work, the Board of Supervisors is accepting nominations for exemplary volunteers within our community. The Board encourages members of the community to nominate individuals in Merced County who inspire them due to their example of volunteering. The Board will honor volunteers selected by its 2019 Advisory Committee at its meeting on **Tuesday, April 9, 2019**.

If you are interested in nominating someone in the community, please fill out the attached form. Forms are also available online at www.countyofmerced.com/volunteer.

All nomination forms must be received by **5 p.m. Friday, March 15, 2019** in order to be considered.

*For more information regarding the nomination process, you may contact:
Mike North at (209) 726-2744 or Mike.North@countyofmerced.com*



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By enacting the Volunteer and Recognition Service Program, the Merced County Board of Supervisors has shown its commitment to join communities across the country in recognizing the contributions of its volunteers during National Volunteer Week, April 7-13, 2019. This year's theme, "Celebrate Service" sets the stage for Merced County residents to applaud the efforts of volunteers. The Board will use National Volunteer Week as an opportunity to thank people who exemplify the volunteer spirit and who make outstanding contributions throughout the year. It is also a good time to remind Merced County residents about the importance of volunteering and making volunteer service a regular part of their lives.



This form has been provided to allow for the nomination of those individuals or volunteer organizations who exemplify the spirit of volunteerism within Merced County. Nomination forms are also available in a form-fill PDF version on the County of Merced website at: www.countyofmerced.com/volunteer. Please note that all nomination forms must be received by **5 p.m., Friday, March 15,**

2019 in order to be considered for public recognition by the Merced County Board of Supervisors. Should you have any questions regarding the nomination process, contact Mike North at (209) 726-2744.

PLEASE NOTE: This application form can be used to recognize either an individual or an organization. **(Do not recognize both on the same form).** A separate form for each individual or organization must be fully completed to be considered for recognition.

ALL SECTIONS ARE TO BE COMPLETED—please indicate if not known or not applicable.

INDIVIDUAL NOMINEE INFORMATION	
Name of Individual	
Street Address	
City, State and Postal Code	
Contact Phone Number	
Email	
Supervisory District of Nominee	
Name of Organization	
Average number of volunteer hours during the past 12 months	
Type/scope of volunteer work	

ORGANIZATION NOMINEE INFORMATION

Organization Name	
Mailing Address	
City, State and Postal Code	
Organization Contact Person	
Contact Phone Number	
Email	
Supervisory District of Organization	
Brief purpose of organization	

Why does the individual or organization you are nominating deserve this recognition?

Briefly describe below, in 250 words or less, your reasons for recommending this individual or organization for the Volunteer Recognition Program. This should include the type of volunteer work carried out as well as any interesting or unusual information about the nominee or organization.

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REFERENCE

In order to qualify for consideration, a nominee must have one reference that may be contacted to verify the scope/extent of the nominee's volunteer activities. The reference should be familiar with the accomplishment(s) for which the volunteer or organization is being nominated. This may not include the nominator, the nominee or any person related to the nominee.

Name of Reference	
Street Address	
City, State and Postal Code	
Phone/Daytime Contact Number	
Email	

NOMINATOR

Name	
Street Address	
City, State and Postal Code	
Contact Phone Number	
Email	
Position/Firm or Agency (if applicable)	
Signature	
Date	

DEADLINE TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS: 5 p.m., Friday, March 15, 2019

Submit completed nomination forms to:

Merced County Board of Supervisors
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

--or--

Mike.North@countyofmerced.com

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AND SERVICE

Program Outline 2019

1. **PURPOSE:**

The purpose is to provide a volunteer recognition program and procedures for recognizing volunteers of Merced County.

2. **DEFINITIONS:**

2.1 **Organization** means any non-profit organization, department, institution, office, college, university, authority, division, board, bureau, commission, council, or other agency of the state, or county, city, town, school district, special improvement or taxing district, any political subdivision.

2.2 **Volunteer** means any person who donates service without pay or other compensation except expenses actually and reasonably incurred and approved by the supervising agency. Volunteers to political efforts, elected/appointed officials, and declared candidates are ineligible.

3. **CRITERIA:**

- 3.1. Service given above and beyond the job asked of them.
- 3.2. Enhanced the quality of the community program.
- 3.3. Service rendered for longevity.



PROCESS FOR NOMINATIONS

1. Individuals or groups are to be nominated from each district.
2. As much information as possible should be provided for all sections. If additional space is needed, please submit information on a separate sheet.
2. Submit one (1) copy of the completed nomination form to the Merced County Board of Supervisors, located at 2222 M Street, Merced, CA 95340. You can also submit your nomination online at www.countyofmerced.com/volunteeer or email it to mnorth@countyofmerced.com.
3. The DEADLINE for turning in completed nomination forms is **Friday, March 15, 2019 at 5 p.m.**
5. The awards will be presented during a regularly scheduled meeting of the Merced County Board of Supervisors. This year's awards will be presented on April 9, 2019 (10 a.m.).
6. Those submitting applications, as well as the selected nominee(s), will be notified of the Volunteer Advisory Committee's decision.