

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

Giving to others is an integral part of leadership. Committed to this principle, the California Agricultural Leadership Foundation, California Women in Agriculture, nine county Farm Bureaus and the UC Davis College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences joined together to create the Common Threads North program in 2003. Over the years, enriched by partnerships with California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom, California State University Chico, Center for Land-Based Learning, and Resource Conservation Districts, the Common Threads North program has grown to be one of the most prestigious and meaningful distinctions in the agricultural community and beyond.

The Common Threads North Award recognizes women in agriculture who have chosen to make a difference in their communities and our world through philanthropy and service. It honors those exemplary individuals whose extraordinary contribution of time, energy and resources enhance the lives of all around them.

Each spring, an awards dinner honoring the year's recipients will be held in Northern California (alternating between Chico and the Sacramento area). Nominees, past recipients, their families and friends, industry guests and supporters are encouraged to attend.

Nominations for the Common Threads North Award are accepted year-round, and those not selected will be considered again the following year. Completed nomination packets are due by **November 15**, with announcements of the winners made after **January 1**. Common Threads North recognizes women in counties north of Merced (see map inset).

For more information on the nomination process, the award ceremony or the program in general, please email info@buttefarmbureau.com



AWARD NOMINATION

The Common Threads Award recognizes women who have made a remarkable and visible contribution to the enhancement of their communities. Women who have shown extraordinary participation in the community with their time and/or contributions will be selected by a panel of Common Threads Partner representatives from the nominations that are submitted this year.

NEXT AWARD CEREMONY DATE: First Wednesday in April
ALTERNATING LOCATIONS: Even Years - Chico/Northern CA Area

Odd Years - Woodland/Sacramento Area

2026 EVENT DETAILS: Wednesday, April 1 at the DoubleTree By Hilton, Chico

Nomination Deadline: Please email or mail the completed nomination packet by **November 15.**

NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE DO NOT INFORM YOUR NOMINEE OF YOUR SUBMISSION.

The quality and content of the nomination is critical to the candidate's success. Try to include specific examples and make sure you have included all of your nominee's philanthropic efforts and service. Please make every effort to keep your nomination confidential as a consideration to all nominees.



SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

Complete the form.
Attach the nominee's resume, optional.
Submit at least ONE but no more than FOUR letters of recommendation to second your nomination. Each nomination must have at least one substantial letter of support from an individual or company in addition to the nomination to be considered. No more than four letters will be reviewed so please choose carefully among your nominee's supporters.
DEADLINE November 15

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OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

Address:	
Daytime Phone:	
Cell Phone:	
Email Address:	
Nominee:	
Mailing Address:	
City State Zip:	
Daytime Phone:	
Email Address:	

Nominator:

- 1. Please describe your nominee's connection to agriculture.
- 2. Please detail the nominee's agriculture and non-ag community philanthropic involvement. Include the names of organizations served, positions held and years of involvement.
- 3. Describe how the nominee's community service has made a visible or far-reaching impact. Include as many examples as you feel are relevant.
- 4. What sets your nominee apart from the other exceptional nominees that are involved in agriculture and their community? Please share their core values and what drives the nominee to give back?
- 5. Please list any social media accounts of the nominee, including Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, etc.