



## San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative 2019 Dennis Wallace Community Leadership Award

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The San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative has organized various housing workshops, forums, and summits addressing housing opportunities and challenges in the San Joaquin Valley.

In 2015, we began a tradition to recognize and celebrate leaders, elected officials, and advocates in the San Joaquin Valley's affordable housing community who are truly making an impact on the lives of residents. This award is in memory of the former San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative Board Member and Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Golden Empire, Dennis Wallace.

The **Dennis Wallace Community Leadership Award** will be presented on September 19th in Visalia at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Affordable Housing Summit -- *A Home For All*. The Affordable Housing Summit will bring together community development professionals from across the state to bolster advocacy and promote efforts working toward improving access to affordable housing in the San Joaquin Valley.

Attached is more information about the award and the nomination form. **The deadline to submit your nomination is Thursday, August 15th .**

Thank you.

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## 2019 Dennis Wallace Community Leadership Award

### **About the Dennis Wallace Community Leadership Award**

This award is in memory of the former San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative Board Member and Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Golden Empire. Dennis is remembered for his diligence and vigor to bring people together to build homes, communities and hope. Dennis served as the director for 17 years and had 57 homes built, changing the lives of 266 low-income families in Kern County.

The purpose of the Dennis Wallace Community Leadership Award is to recognize and celebrate leaders, elected officials, and advocates in the Affordable Housing Community within the counties of: Kern, Kings, Tulare, Fresno, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus, and San Joaquin. Candidates will have demonstrated dedication to the communities of the San Joaquin Valley through advocacy for and development of affordable housing. Nominations will be reviewed by the San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative Board of Directors.

### **Nomination Submittal Requirements (See Page 3)**

- Nomination Form
- 350 Word Snapshot

### **Email Completed Nominations to:**

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Awards will be presented by the San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Affordable Housing Summit on September 19th at the Wyndham Hotel in Visalia.

### **About the San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative**

The San Joaquin Valley Housing Collaborative is a regional 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that formed out of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley Housing Workgroup to address housing issues that affect low- to moderate-income households and communities in the San Joaquin Valley. Over the past 8 years, the Collaborative has served as a much needed forum to discuss regional housing challenges and strategies and is an invaluable tool for the region to organize as one voice when communicating with state and federal policymakers and regulatory agencies.

The Collaborative operates as a joint partnership with staff from the California Coalition for Rural Housing and Fresno State's Office of Community and Economic Development.

## 2018 Dennis Wallace Community Leadership Award

Nominations for the Dennis Wallace Community Leadership Award are due: **5 PM Thursday August 15th, 2019**. Materials received after this date will not be accepted or returned.

### Nomination Form

INDIVIDUAL BEING NOMINATED:
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NOMINATION CONTACT NAME	_____
PHONE NO.	_____
EMAIL ADDRESS	_____

### Snapshot

On a separate document: in 350 words or less, please provide a snapshot of the individual nominated, noting the individual's qualifications, accomplishments, and dedication to the communities of the San Joaquin Valley through advocacy for and development of affordable housing.

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