

Farm Family of the Year Award Nomination

Applications must be received by **August 31, 2017**. Please type or print all information.

Mail to:

Los Banos Downtown Association

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----- Personal Information -----

Name (Husband) _____ (Wife) _____

Address _____ City _____

Home Phone () _____ Cell () _____

Number of Years in Farming _____

Children _____

Affirmation

I herby certify I am actively engaged in Merced County agriculture with the majority of my income derived from there, and the information and statements contained in this entry are accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature and Date

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Award Presentation

The Farm Family of the Year Award will be presented during the 2017 Farm to Table Dinner, September 21, 2017. The winning family will receive a plaque and two tickets to the dinner.

The winner will be chosen by independent judges. The decision of the judges is final.

Farming History10 Percent

Example: What year did your farming operation begin? What type of operation did it start out as? How many acres/ livestock/crops did you start with? What was your original dream for your business?

Current Operation..... 5 Percent

Example: Describe your operation (crops, livestock and other enterprises).

Innovations10 Percent

Example: Briefly describe any innovative management and/or production techniques you have implemented to improve your operation.

Marketing 5 Percent

Example: Briefly describe your marketing plan.

Responsibilities 5 Percent

Example: List farm responsibilities of family members currently active in the operation.

Problem Solving 5 Percent

Example: List major problems associated with your operation which you have solved and by what method.

Goal Setting 5 Percent

Example: List goals you have established, such as to increase yields by 15 percent by using different types of seed, making more efficient use of the land, or higher weight gains in livestock etc..

Measure of Success 5 Percent

Example: Describe how you measure the success of your operation, such as by the decrease in per acre production costs, the increase in net income per acre, or the debt-to-income ratio, etc.

Family Involvement 10 Percent

Example: Describe your family's involvement and leadership in agriculture, such as Farm Bureau, CWA, FFA or other such organizations.

Community Involvement 10 Percent

Example: Describe your community involvement in organizations such as school, church and civic associations.
