



County of Riverside Commission for Women



2016-2017 Woman of the Year & Young Lady of the Year Awards Nomination Information and Form

Originally established in 1976 as an advisory board to the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, the County of Riverside Commission for Women seeks to improve the status of all women by ensuring opportunities for each woman to develop to her full potential. In support of this mission, the Commission for Women identifies problems, defines issues and recommends policies and procedures to the County Board of Supervisors regarding, but not limited to, women and health, the workplace, family, education, violence, law and society.

The County of Riverside Commission for Women is pleased to announce that it is accepting nominations for its **2016-2017 Woman of the Year (WOY) Awards**, to be bestowed upon an outstanding woman in each supervisorial district, who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to her community, by working to improve the status of women and their families in Riverside County.

The Commission is also accepting nominations for its **2016-2017 Young Lady of the Year (LOY) Award** presented to an outstanding young lady in each supervisorial district who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to her community, by working to improve their community or organization in Riverside County. The LOY must be between the ages of 12 and 18 years.

Nominations are due no later than February 24, 2017

Requirements for WOY and LOY nominations are as follows:

1. Nominee may be nominated by an individual, a business, a non-profit organization, a government agency, a labor union, trade or professional organization, or an educational or religious institution.
2. The nominations may not come from an immediate family member or guardian but their support is encouraged for the nomination.
3. Nominee must live, work, or go to school in the Supervisorial District of Riverside County for which she is nominated.
4. Nomination statements may not exceed 1000 words and the areas of focus are listed on the nomination form.
5. Current members of the County of Riverside Commission for Women are ineligible for nomination.

**County of Riverside Commission for Women
2016-2017 Woman of the Year & Young Lady of the Year Award
Nomination Form**

To nominate a Riverside County woman or lady for this esteemed honor, please complete the following information:

Name of Nominee

Nominee Residence District

Title (if applicable) or Grade Level (LOY)

Nominee Email Address

Nominee Address

City

Zip

Nominee Employer/School Address

City

Zip

Nominee Daytime Telephone

Evening Telephone

Nominator's Name

Email Address

Name of parent or guardian (LOY)

Nominator's Home or Business
Address

City

State

Zip

Check box which best describes affiliation of nominator:

- individual
- business
- non-profit organization
- labor union, trade or professional organization
- government agency
- educational or religious institution

Nominator's Daytime Telephone

Nominator's Evening Telephone

Nominator's Signature

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Nominations will be reviewed by distinguished Riverside County leaders and the final winner of each award will be provided to the Commission for Women. Each winner will be selected based upon her work to bring about social and economic change, promote women's equality, serve as an outstanding role model to women and girls, work on behalf of women's issues or outstanding performance within her profession to further advocate women's rights and improve the status of women in Riverside County.

The award winners will be notified and the awards will be presented at the Riverside County Board of Supervisor's Meeting, 4080 Lemon Street, First Floor Board Chambers, Riverside, CA 92501.

Please attach a statement, not to exceed 1000 words, which lists specific examples of the nominee's accomplishments as they relate to the following nomination criteria:

1. WOY: Please outline the area(s) in which the nominee has made an important and noticeable contribution to her community by leading the way to making Riverside County a better place for women to reach their full potential. Explain areas in which the nominee has gained the respect of her peers. Is she often called upon for advice, mentoring or decisions in these areas? Is she willing to help? Why is she the WOY in the District?
2. LOY: Please outline how the nominee is a valuable member of her organization or program. In what ways did the nominee contribute to help others and aid her community? How was she a model for other young ladies of her age? Why is she the LOY in the District?
3. WOY/LOY: State other achievement, program, project, or cumulative volunteer or professional achievements the nominee has been awarded or performed which may help the review committee.

Please send completed nomination form and statement by Friday, February 24, 2017, no later than 5:00 p.m. to:

**County of Riverside
Commission for Women
Attention: Rebecca Chavez
2016-2017 Woman of the Year & Young Lady of the Year
4080 Lemon Street, 7th Floor
c/o Human Resources
Riverside, CA 92501**

**Or Fax to: (951)955-3479
Or Email to: CFWEMAIL@rivcocfw.com**