



F&M Bank nominated for Partners in Philanthropy award

Farmers & Merchants Bank of Central California, also known as F&M Bank, has been nominated for the Sacramento Business Journal's 2012 Partners in Philanthropy award.

The December 7 awards luncheon honors nominees—the region's most active and inspirational companies that make a difference in their communities through financial contributions and volunteer work. At the annual event, a drawing will be held for a \$5,000 donation to the finalist's nonprofit of choice.

Other honorees include 3fold Communications, Bank of America, Five Star Bank, Flyers Energy LLC, Gilbert Associates Inc., Give Something Back Office Supplies, Intel Corp., Lionakis, Lucas Public Affairs, Mechanics Bank, MeringCarson, Pacific Gas & Electric Co., SacDine.com, Sacramento Association of Realtors, Sacramento Kings, Sacramento River Cats, Save Mart Supermarkets, Sleep Train Inc., Synergex International, Uptown Studios, U.S. Bank, Von Housen Automotive Group, Wells Fargo.

F&M Bank was nominated by Mutual Housing California for its contributions to Mutual Housing's mission of providing affordable housing to people of modest means as well as assisting resident programs such as the green leadership training, financial education workshops and the annual resident meeting.

"The Bank has gone above and beyond in helping us with financial contributions to the organization, and directly to programs that help our residents improve their lives," said Rachel Iskow, Mutual Housing California CEO.

"Giving back to our communities is one of F&M Bank's core values, and it begins at the top with our board of directors and executive team," said Elizabeth Beigh, Vice President and Commercial Loan Officer for F&M Bank.

"As a result, everyone at the bank is dedicated to building strong and vibrant communities, improving the quality of life, and making a positive difference in our communities," Beigh continued. "We are honored to be selected by the Sacramento Business Journal as a finalist for the 2012 Partners in Philanthropy award."

Beigh volunteered countless hours serving on the Mutual Housing Board of Directors as the treasurer, the Audit Committee chair and a member of the Site Acquisition Committee and Asset Management Committee.

Sacramento Mutual Housing Association develops housing that is affordable to a diversity of households. Our housing builds strong and stable communities through resident participation and leadership development. For more information, call (916) 453-8400 or visit our website at mutualhousing.com.

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Farmers & Merchants Bank has provided financial services to individuals and businesses in California's Great Central Valley since 1916.

A full service community bank, they offer a complete range of products and services that help bring growth and prosperity to the communities they serve.

For more information, go to <https://www.fmbonline.com/>.

Mutual Housing California, founded in 1988, develops and operates well-designed rental housing for modest-income households. The communities have 2,750 residents.

Through Mutual Housing's focus on leadership, the nonprofit also provides training and mentoring as well as educational programs, community-building activities and services for residents and neighbors.

For more information, visit <http://www.mutualhousing.com>.