



CENTRAL CALIFORNIA
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

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**Central California Women's Conference to Award Valley Non-profits
\$100,000 in funding**

The [Board of Directors](#) of the Central California Women's Conference ([CCWC](#)) is honoring 50 Valley community based organizations serving women and children with grants totaling \$100,000. Recipients will be recognized at newly dubbed Nené Casares Celebration of Service Grant Reception on Wednesday, May 31.

To date, CCWC has donated more than \$1,350,000 to support women and children. Grant funding has benefited recipients by providing an array of services ranging from mammograms to food, shelter, clothing, education, and more. In addition, CCWC partners with AT&T for its re-entry scholarship program, where five deserving women receive a scholarship, attend the conference and are hosted at a celebratory luncheon.

Announced in September, The Central California Women's Conference has changed the name of the evening's event in honor of Emeritus Board Member Nené Casares. Casares started with CCWC in its inaugural event as a volunteer and has remained active with the organization throughout its 35 year history. Casares retired from the Board of Directors in 2020 after serving over a decade as Board President.

"Nené has always had the CCWC mission at heart, and in many ways became the heartbeat of our mission." Teri Amerine, CCWC Board President noted. "Naming the Grant Reception after her will continue her philanthropic nature."

Now in its 34th year, more than 97,680 women have attended the Central California Women's Conference since its inception. This year's event will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 26. Tickets go on sale in mid-June at ccwc-fresno.org. The 2023 CCWC presenting sponsor is Community Medical Centers.

Recipients of this year's CCWC grants are:

Advocates for Women's Health, Inc
Angels of Grace Inc.
Assistance League of Fresno
Assistance League of Visalia
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California
Breaking the Chains
Care Fresno, Inc.
CASA of Fresno and Madera Counties
Central California Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
City Without Orphans
Easterseals Central California
Elder Abuse Services
Evangel Home, Inc.
Focus Forward
Fresno Area Hispanic Foundation
Fresno Rescue Mission
Fresno Youth Golf Association dba First Tee - Fresno
Habitat for Humanity of Tulare/Kings Counties
HandsOn Central California
Happy Trails Riding Academy
Healing In Arts
Hinds Hospice
Junior League of Fresno
Kerman Rotary Club
Madera Rescue Mission Inc.
Make a Wish NE/Central CA/Northern Nevada
One Fresno Foundation
PAIN PARENTS & ADDICTS IN NEED
Pequenos Empresarios Inc
Poverello House
Project Loreal
Rape Counseling Services of Fresno
Saint Francis Homeless Project, Inc./ Dog's Dig Em"
San Joaquin Valley Quilt Guild
Saving All Children (dba) Family Healing Center
Teens That Care
The Fresno Police Chiefs Foundation
The Light House Recovery Program Inc.
The Salvation Army
UCPC
Valley Caregiver Resource Center
Valley Center for the Blind
Valley Children's Healthcare Foundation
Valley Children's Hospital - Seizure Care Packs
Valley Children's Hospital - Gearge's Pass Program
Wayfinder Family Services
West Fresno Health Care Coalition
The Edwards Family Foundation Carpe Diem Scholarship in honor of 20 years of service by Jan Edwards
California State University Fresno MCJ Scholarship in honor of 10+ years of service by Betsy Hays
The Maddy Institute at California State University Fresno in honor of 35 year of service by Mary Stabelfeld



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About CCWC:

*The **CENTRAL CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE** was founded in 1988 by the late State Senator Ken L. Maddy of Fresno, Calif. The conference is a 501(c) (3) non-profit, non-political organization, and the event is designed to educate, motivate and inspire women to be the best they can be in their professional and personal lives. (Tax I.D. #77-0178140)*