



# MADERA COUNTY FARM BUREAU

February 20, 2026

**Re: Madera County Farm Bureau Scholarship Fundraiser**

**What:** Margaritas (and Lunch) at the Mahils'  
**When:** Sunday, May 3, 2026 | 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Mahil Residence  
8808 Road 30  
Madera, CA 93637

Dear Valued Supporter,

The Madera County Farm Bureau (MCFB) is excited to host our **Annual Scholarship Fundraiser Event on Sunday, May 3, 2026!** After last year's success, we are thrilled to return to the **Mahil Residence** for another fantastic afternoon of food, fun, and fundraising at **Margaritas at the Mahils'**.

This fundraiser is a key part of MCFB's mission to **preserve, protect, and enhance agriculture** in Madera County and beyond. The future of family farming is at risk—by 2030, nearly **68% of California's family farming operations** may be dissolved, liquidated, or sold for non-agricultural purposes. A major contributor to this trend is declining **agricultural education enrollment** at the collegiate level. Our scholarship program aims to **reverse this pattern** by encouraging and supporting young agriculturalists in their pursuit of higher education.

Since the program's inception, we have awarded **over 260 scholarships totaling more than \$895,000** to local high school students pursuing careers in agriculture, agribusiness, and related fields. This success is made possible by the **continued generosity of supporters like you.**

Your contribution is **tax-deductible** as a charitable donation\* and will directly impact the future of agriculture in our community.

Please find the attached **Intent to Sponsor and Ticket Form** for your review. We deeply appreciate any support you can provide toward this important cause.

The favor of a reply with an intent to sponsor by **Friday, March 13, 2026**, would be greatly appreciated. Tickets can be purchased in advance as well using the enclosed form.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to the future of agriculture. We look forward to having you on May 3rd!

Sincerely,

Laura Gutile  
President

*Madera County Farm Bureau Scholarship Fund is a charitable foundation:  
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