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### **NEWS RELEASE: County Seeks Nominations for Humanitarian of the Year Nomination Period Now Open through November 1, 2018**

#### ***Student and Adult Humanitarians will be Honored at January Event Commemorating the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.***

(Martinez, CA) - In 2019, fifty one years will have passed since the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. That sobering reminder will serve as a backdrop to Contra Costa County's 41st annual commemoration of Dr. King's life and legacy. We hope you will mark the date and join us on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 for a community celebration in Contra Costa County's Board Chambers located at 651 Pine Street, Martinez, CA.

At the January event, the Board of Supervisors will recognize a community member as well as a student leader whose dedication to others embodies the spirit and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The **award nomination period is now open** for candidate names to be submitted for both the adult and student humanitarians. The deadline to submit names for consideration is Thursday, November 1, 2018. We encourage East Bay residents to nominate an adult and/or student whose accomplishments and service impact Contra Costa County, its residents and communities, and reflect the spirit of Dr. King's work and achievements.

In January of this year, Phil Arnold was honored as the County's Humanitarian of the Year for a lifetime of work helping people in need. Our Student Humanitarian of the Year was Sienna Terry, then a Las Lomas High School senior, who has already had a long list of accomplishments that follow in the path of Dr. King.

To submit nominations for an adult or student candidate, visit the [County's website](#). To find out more about past ceremonies and prior humanitarian winners, visit the [Dr. King Ceremony website](#) found in the "Community" section of Contra Costa County's website.

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