



2025 San Joaquin Valley Blueprint Award Winners!

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San Joaquin Valley Regional Policy Conference ***2025 San Joaquin Valley Blueprint Award Winners***

Award Ceremony to be hosted by the Merced County Association of Governments
on April 11, 2025, at the Merced Theatre in Merced, CA

Honoring Projects, Plans, and Individuals that Embody the Blueprint Principles

In 2009, the San Joaquin Valley Regional Policy Council adopted thirteen Smart Growth Principles, known as the "Blueprint Principles," to guide planning in the San Joaquin Valley, including:

1. Create a range of housing opportunities and choices
2. Create walkable and bikeable neighborhoods
3. Encourage community and stakeholder collaboration
4. Foster distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place
5. Make development decisions predictable, fair, and cost-effective
6. Promote a mix of land uses
7. Preserve open space, farmland, natural beauty, and critical environmental areas
8. Provide a variety of transportation choices
9. Strengthen and direct development toward existing communities
10. Take advantage of compact building design
11. Enhance the economic vitality of the region
12. Support actions that encourage environmental resource management
13. Plan for future water needs

These principles remain applicable today and align with current climate, social, environmental, transportation, and housing goals at both the state and federal levels. Congratulations to the 2025 Blueprint Award winners!



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A. Development Project Categories

Residential Development

- **Award of Excellence:** Crossroads Village, Fresno County, Paul Halajian Architects
- **Award of Merit:** Sonoma Square, San Joaquin County, Delta Community Developers Corporation (DCDC)

Commercial

- **Award of Excellence:** Mercantile Row Shopping Center Revitalization, City of Dinuba
- **Award of Merit:** Whitesbridge Horizontal Mixed-Use Project, City of Kerman

Mixed Use

- **Award of Excellence:** Los Arroyos Housing Project & Farmersville Transit Center, City of Farmersville

Downtown Revitalization

- **Award of Excellence:** City of Merced Downtown Revitalization Initiative, City of Merced
- **Award of Merit:** J Street and Seventh Street Parking Lot Rehabilitation Project, City of Los Banos

Transportation Enhancement

- **Award of Excellence:** Farmersville Transit Center, City of Farmersville
- **Award of Merit:** Alta/Kamm Roundabout, City of Dinuba

Historic Revitalization

- **Award of Excellence:** State Route 99 Plainsburg-Arboleda Columbian Mammoth Silhouettes, Caltrans District 10

B. Planning Project/Program Category

- **Award of Excellence:** The Villages at Almond Grove Specific Plan, City of Madera
- **Award of Excellence:** South of Tule River (SoTu) District Master Plan, City of Porterville
- **Award of Merit:** Small Lot Planning Study for the San Joaquin Valley, SJV Regional Early Action Program (REAP) and Fresno Council of Governments

C. Darrel Hildebrand Blueprint Leadership Award Category

- **Patricia Taylor**, Executive Director, Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC)

D. Jenny Kenoyer Outstanding Local Elected Official

- **Daron McDaniel**, Supervisor, Merced County