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## MADERA COUNTY FSA UPDATES

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### 2013 COC Nominations and Elections

COC elections provide farmers and ranchers the opportunity to represent producers in their community by serving on their local FSA COC. Farmers and ranchers are encouraged to consider running for COC seats. This year the seat open for election is LAA 2.

LLA 2 is the area west of Hwy 99, south of Avenue 14 and north of the San Joaquin River.

The person nominated must be currently engaged in farming or ranching, should live in LAA 2 area and be an eligible voter. Additional information of eligibility to hold office may be obtained at the County FSA Office.

Duties of County FSA Committee members include:

informing farmers and ranchers of the purpose and provisions of FSA programs

keep the State FSA Committee informed of area conditions

recommend needed changes in farm programs

perform other duties as assigned by the State FSA Committee

This program or activity will be conducted on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status or disability.

You can obtain nomination forms from the local USDA Service Center or online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/election>

The last day to return nomination forms to the FSA Office is August 1, 2013.

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### Madera FSA Food Drive ends August 28th

The Madera County FSA and NRCS Service Center is participating in the "Feds Feed Families Food Drive". The county office is collecting food for the Madera County Food Bank until August 28th. This food drive comes at a critical time when donations to food banks are tapering off, even as many families are coming to them for help!

Items needed are canned fruit and vegetables, cereal, grains, canned tuna, snacks, baking goods, bottled water, hygiene items, paper products and household items (cleaning supplies).

Collection containers are placed in the FSA Office and the NRCS Office.

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