

Dear California sisters,

Do you know of a charity that can benefit from extra support? It's time to nominate that charity for the 2024-2026 California State Altruistic Project. There are so many charities In California that can use our financial help and that reflect $A \triangle K$'s mission statement:

"To promote educational and charitable projects and activities, to sponsor scholarships, to further and maintain worthy standards in the field of education and to cooperate with worthy community programs relating to education and charities." *The focus of the California state altruistic project shall be to support programs and activities that enhance educational and/or charitable efforts within the state of California.*

Please bring them to our attention and apply for the award. If you nominated a project in the past that was not chosen, please consider nominating it again. Because George Mark Children's House and New Day for Children have each been chosen more than once, they may not be nominated again.

The timeline has changed this biennium in order to have the nominations determined before the busy time of the holidays and I apologize for the short notice. Nominations are due by October 1, 2023 so my hope is the state project is something you can talk about at the September meeting. The four finalists will be determined December 1, 2023 and then they will be voted on at the next state convention in April 2024 where the winner will be announced.

I'm attaching the Description and Application Process along with the Nomination form. I think you'll see that it's not very difficult to fill out, but please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns.

Fraternally yours, Susan Blough CA Altruistic Project Chair <u>susanblough@gmail.com</u> 714-349-0125