2025 TULARE COUNTY FAIR -COMMUNITY/FEATURE BOOTHS

COMMUNITY FEATURE BOOTHS EXHIBITS

OPEN TO TULARE COUNTY RESIDENTS.

EXHIBITS MUST BE MAINTAINED FOR DURATION OF FAIR

ENTRY TIMELINE:

Entry Deadline......Sunday, August 15, 2025. All registrations must be submitted online by midnight (Pacific Daylight Time). Booth Setup......Thursday, September 4 -Sunday, September 7, 2025. Booth Setup will be done in Bldg. 4. Come through gate 5 off Martin Luther King Drive from 10:00am - 6:00pm. Booth Teardown Monday, September 15 at 10:00am until Tuesday, September 16 at 5:00pm. Both Entry Fee: \$50 for Division 200. All other Divisions in the Handbook are free.

Entry Limit: 2 entries per exhibitor per class

Judging: All judging will be blind and held in closed session. All entries will be judged using a scorecard. See criteria sheet below. The decision of the judges is final.

Score sheet for Community and Feature Exhibit Booths

45% Education Value

25% The subject / purpose is obvious and fully developed.

10% The subject is clearly communicated.

10% Uses effective & appropriate labeling, signage, props, etc., to educate, create & maintain interest.

- 35% Appearance
 - 10% Effective Design
 - 10% Craftmanship
 - 10% Adherence to Fair Them
 - 5% All space is effectively and appropriately used.
 - 20% Creativity / Ingenuity / Special Effects

AWARDS

BEST OF SHOW - Rosette RESERVE OF SHOW - Rosette BEST OF DIVISION - Rosette 1ST 2ND 3rd 4th 5th & Ribbons

DIVISION 150 – COMMUNITY / FEATURE BOOTHS

Class

- 1 Community or Chamber Booths
- 2 Feature Exhibit Booths

ALL BOOTHS WILL BE DISPLAYED INSIDE

- 1. Community Booths are limited to Chambers of Commerce, school groups, service organizations or other civic organizations to display the advantages and diversity of the community or area represented.
- 2. Feature Exhibit Booths should display a single agricultural product, process or procedure of the area represented in such a manner as to inform the public of the value, desirability and interest of the consumer, producer, and community most attractively to be found in the subject being featured.
- 3. Commodities entered for judging by residents of each community may be used as display materials after judging if available. When displayed, the names on the exhibit tags of the commodities must be visible.
- 4. The purpose of this exhibit is to promote and display agricultural products grown in Tulare County. All produce should represent the community and surrounding areas and should have a 3" x 5" label for identification and descriptions. Spent produce should be removed daily, and live plants need to be watered. The indoor Supervisor will determine the amount of produce entered open judging that can be allotted for use in community booth. ONLY RESIDENTS OF COMMUNITY ENTRIES CAN BE USED IN BOOTH.
- 5. Allotted Booth Space for a community booth is 10' x 10'. The booth will be fenced on all exposed sides. The fencing will be a minimum of 2 ½ feet tall and a maximum of 4 feet tall. The sides of the display may not block the view of other booths. The full space must be used.
- 6. Allotted Booth Space for feature exhibit booth is 10' x 10'. The booth will be fenced on all exposed sides. The fencing will be a minimum of 2 ½ feet tall and a maximum of 4 feet tall. The sides of the display may not block the view of other booths.
- 7. All electric cords must be plugged into a surge protector (power bar).
- 8. Each booth should use lighting to highlight the display.
- 9. No straw is allowed for fencing, may be used as part of the display.
- 10. Any material (signage, props, etc.) that needs overhead hanging, must be in place by **Saturday**, **September 7**. Any use of a forklift or other fair equipment must be requested two (2) days in advance, by contacting Tulare Staff.
- 11. All booths must be finished by 5:00pm on Monday, September 8. All major construction must be completed by 5:00pm on Saturday, September 6.
- Indoor space will be available for move-in from Thursday, September 4 Sunday, September 7, 2025, between the hours of 10:00am 6:00pm. (Exhibit Supervisor may arrange other hours if needed).
- 13. Fencing/Backdrop and large props must be in place by **Saturday, September 6, by 10:00am.**
- 14. Baseboard must be around fence to keep floor covering in.
- 15. The fair will not provide risers for booths.
- 16. Indoor Supervisor will allocate booth space after the close of entries.
- 17. Each booth will be allotted two (2) passes per day to allow someone to be in the booth to start any mechanism or to replenish the display prior to the daily opening of the fair.
- 18. According to the Health and Safety Code of the State, it is unlawful to decorate booths with any flammable material unless treated by a flame-retardant chemical as defined in the Health and Safety code. There are many decoration materials on the market, including fabrics, crepe paper, cellophane, etc. that are manufactured from non-flammable materials and comply with the letter of the law. Booths will be dismantled if not flame retardant.

- 19. Exhibitors wishing to man their booth or display for education purposes need to make arrangement with Exhibit Supervisor/Fair Management for entry.
 20. The Booths will not be available on Sunday, September 5 until completion of judging entries.



2025 TULARE COUNTY FAIR AGRICULTURE & HORTICULTURE

AWARDS

Best of Show - \$25 & Rosette Best of Division - Rosette 1st - 5th Place in each Division - Ribbons Limit of entries 4 per Class for (Divisions 151 - 163)

DIVISION 151 – DRY GOODS (Bulk, 1 Pint)

CLASS

- 1 Dry Beans
- 2 Cotton
- 3 Corn
- 4 Oats

DIVISON 152 – FRUIT & POD VEGETABLES

CLASS

- 1 Yard Beans, 12 Pods
- 2 Beans, Snap, Blackeye, 12 Pods
- 3 Eggplant, All Varieties, Specify, 3
- 4 Okra, All Varieties, Specify, 5
- 5 Peppers, Anaheim, 4
- 6 Peppers, Bell, Green, 3
- 7 Peppers, Bell, Red, 3
- 8 Peppers, Bell, Yellow, 3
- 9 Peppers, Fresno, 4
- 10 Peppers, Habanero, 4
- 11 Peppers, Hot, over 4", 4
- 12 Peppers, Hot, Wax Under 2", 4

DIVISION 153 – FRESH HERBS & SPICIES, ½ inch bundle

DIVISON 154 – DRIED HERBS & SPICIES, ½ ounce Class

- 1 Basil, Sweet
- 2 Bay Leaves
- 3 Mint
- 4 Oregano
- 5 Parsley

- 5 Wheat
- 6 Hay
- 7 Seeds
- 8 Any Other Dry Good, Specify
- 13 Peppers, Jalapeno, 4
- 14 Peppers, Short Green Chili, 4
- 15 Peppers, Yellow Chili, 4
- 16 Peppers, any other not listed, Specify, 4
- 17 Tomato, Ace, 3
- 18 Tomato, Beef Steak, 3
- 19 Tomato, Big Boy, 3
- 20 Tomato, Red Cherry, 6
- 21 Tomato, Roma, 3
- 22 Tomato, any other not listed, Specify, 3
- 23 Any other Fruit / Pod Vegetable, not listed, Specify.
- 6 Rosemary
- 7 Sage
- 8 Thyme
- 9 Any other not listed, Specify.

DIVISION 155 - VINE CROPS OR LEAFY STEM VEGETABLES (Plate Display)

Class

- 1 Cucumbers, Any Specify, 2
- 2 Gourds, Any Specify
- 3 Melons, Any Specify
- 4 Pumpkins, Small Pie, 1
- 5 Pumpkins, Mammoth, 1
- 6 Pumpkins, Big Mac, 1
- 7 Squash, Crookneck / Yellow, 2

- 8 Squash, Zucchini, 2
- 9 Squash, Any Other, Specify, 2
- 10 Watermelon, Any Specify, 1
- 11 Corn, Sweet, Yellow, 3 in Husks
- 12 Any other Vine Crops not listed, Specify

DIVISION 156 – MONSTROSITIES (Entries will be judged by Weight)

Class

- 1 Largest Tomato
- 2 Largest Squash
- 3 Largest Pumpkin
- 4 Largest Watermelon

DIVISION 157 – ROOT, BULB & TUBER

Class

- 1 Beets, All Varieties, Specify 3
- 2 Carrots, 5
- 3 Garlic, All Varieties, Specify 6

DIVISON 158 - TREE FRUIT (Plate Display - 3)

Class

- 1 Apples
- 2 Avocados
- 3 Figs
- 4 Nectarines
- 5 Peaches
- 6 Pears

- 5 Largest Gourd
- 6 Any other Large Vegetable or Fruit not listed, Specify
- 4 Radishes, 2 Bunches (5 per bunch)
- 5 Turnips, 5
- 6 Any other not listed, Specify
- 7 Persimmons
- 8 Plums
- 9 Prunes
- 10 Grapes
- 11 Any other not listed, Specify

NOTE: DIVISON 159 – *Must be current's year's green crop. No citrus fruit will be accepted for display or competition for premiums, which show any sign of scale. All varieties to be without leaves.* **DIVISION 159 – CITRUS FRUIT** (Plate Display – 3)

Class

- 1 Grapefruits
- 2 Lemons
- 3 Limes
- 4 Oranges

- 5 Mandarins
- 6 Tangerines
- 7 Subtropical Fruits

NOTE: DIVISON 160 – Must be last year's crop, mature, hulled and left in the shell. Commercial grade to be not less than ½ pound. Exhibits must be adequately and correctly labeled. Exhibits not meeting requirements will not be accepted.

DIVISON 160 - NUTS (Plate Display)

Class

- 1 Almonds
- 2 Peanuts
- 3 Pecans

- 4 Walnuts
- 5 Miscellaneous

DIVISION 161 - DRIED FRUITS (Plate Display - ½ pound)

Class

1 Any Variety, Specify

DIVISION 162 – RAISINS (Plate Display – ½ pound – Not washed or stemmed)

Class

1 Any Variety, Specify

DIVISION 163 - OLIVES (1 Pint)

Class

- 1 Processed Olives
- 2 Unprocessed Olives
- 3 Olive Oil

BEES & HONEY

AWARDS Best of Show - \$25 & Rosette Best of Class - Rosette 1st - 5th Place - Ribbons

MINIMUM QUANTITIES:

- 1. Comb Honey 2 Divisions
- 2. Cut Comb Honey 2 Packages
- 3. Extracting Frame 1 Standard Size, Full Depth Frame
- 4. All Other Two 1 lb. Standard Honey Jars

SCORE CARD

| Properly Labeled | 25% |
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| General Appearance | 25% |
| Well Wrapped (Comb Honey only) | 25% |
| Color & Clarity (Not Combs) | 25% |
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DIVISION 164 – HONEY

Class

- 1 Any Extracted, Specify
- 2 Any Variety, Specify
- 3 Extracting Frame, Full Depth, All Varieties



FRESH CUT FLOWERS

| EXHIBITS RECEIVED | Building 1, Monday, September 8, 10:00am to 6:00pm |
|-------------------|--|
| JUDGING (Closed) | Tuesday, September 9, 10:00am |
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| EXHIBITS RELEASED | Ribbons may be picked up Monday, September 15, |
| | 10:00am to 5:00pm |

- 1. All flowers must be raised by the exhibitor.
- 2. Limited to one variety but 2 per class per exhibitor.
- 3. Exhibitors are requested to label species and variety if known.
- 4. Containers will be furnished by the Fair.
- 5. Cut flowers will be displayed only as long as they are attractive. Cut Roses and Fresh Flower arrangements will be displayed Friday through Sunday of the fair.
- 6. The judges will divide into classes, if warranted.

HINT: Use of alcohol in containers will preserve the life of flowers.

AWARDS Best of Show – \$25 & Rosette Reserve Best of Show – Rosette 1st – 5th Place – Ribbons

DIVISION 165 – CUT FLORICULTURE

Class

- 1 Cut Flowers
- 2 Cut Roses
- 3 Floral Arrangements
- 4 Floral Arrangement Fair Theme (Stars, Stripes & Carnival Lights)



HOUSE PLANTS

| EXHIBITS RECEIVED | Building 1, Monday, September 8, 10:00am to 6:00pm |
|-------------------|--|
| JUDGING (Closed) | Tuesday, September 9, 10:00am |
| EXHIBITS RELEASED | Monday, September 15, 10:00am to 5:00 pm |

- 1. Individuals are limited to two entries per class. Exceptions designated.
- 2. Tulare County Fair provides general watchman's service but assumes no liability for the safety of exhibits. Entries made are at the exhibitor's risk.
- 3. Exhibits must have been grown by the exhibitor.
- 4. Exhibits must be adequately and correctly labeled with either the Botanical or Common Name, or both. Label card not to exceed 2" x 3".

AWARDS Best of Show – \$25 & Rosette Reserve Best of Show – Rosette 1st – 5th Place Ribbons Each Class

DIVISON 166 – POTTED PLANTS

CLASS

- 1 African Violets (Must be in bloom for judging)
- 2 Begonias
- 3 Cactus
- 4 Dish Garden of Novelty Container
- 5 Ferns
- 6 Fresh Potted Herbs

- 7 Fichus
- 8 Hanging Baskets
- 9 Miscellaneous Potted Plants
- 10 Philodendron
- 11 Succulents
- 12 Topiary

