

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2026 HARFORD COUNTY LEADING WOMEN

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Celebrating 16 years!

Do you know an exceptional young woman in grades 7-12?

The Harford County Commission for Women is seeking nominations of outstanding young women for its 2026 Harford County Leading Women Awards.

Schools, organizations, and individuals are encouraged to nominate a deserving young woman who has made a difference in her school and/or community and who positively impacts the lives of others.

Nominees will be separated into three different grade groups: 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12. An independent panel representing a cross section of Harford County will review the nominations and make the final selections.

The first-place winner in each grade group will receive a \$1,000 cash award. All nominees will be recognized for their academic accomplishments and community service. Nominees and their family and friends will be invited to attend a special awards ceremony. Need not be present to win.



**Deadline for Nominations
is Tuesday, January 20, 2026
5:00 p.m.**

New! All nominations must be submitted online at www.harfordcountymd.gov/LeadingWomen

(complete instructions on second page)



Questions: contact women@harfordcountymd.gov



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NOMINATION CRITERIA and INSTRUCTIONS

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The Harford County Leading Women program provides a forum for honoring young women who, through their efforts and academic achievement, have made significant and lasting contributions to their communities.

Nominees must:

1. Currently reside and have lived a significant portion of their lives in Harford County, Maryland.
2. Currently be in grades 7-12.
3. Have made significant and lasting contributions to their Harford County communities while achieving personal and academic excellence.
4. Complete the online form in its entirety.

Instructions for Submitting Nominations:

Nominator: Complete the nominator form online and then send the nominee a link (located on the nominator form) for them to complete their portion of the nomination.

Nominee: Complete the nominee form which includes the following criteria:

1. Significant contribution to Harford County
2. Future goals and objectives
3. Leadership you have exhibited
4. Pursuit of academic excellence
5. A letter of recommendation that speaks to your academic and school-based achievements

A photo release form must also be downloaded, signed, and then returned once a date for an event photo has been scheduled. Nomination must be completed in its entirety to be considered.

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