



Orange County
Housing
Authority

WHAT HOME MEANS TO ME POSTER CONTEST

DEADLINE: MARCH 19TH, 2026

Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

Contest participation is open to all children in grades K-12 residing in affordable housing supported by OC Housing Authority and/or the County of Orange. Entries must be created by only one person. One winner will be selected per age category to be submitted for the National Competition.

Poster Specifications:

- Theme: "What Home Means to Me"
- Size: At least 8.5 x 11 (letter size) and up to 22 inches by 28 inches and have a landscape/horizontal orientation
- Media: Any art media (marker, crayon, paint, collage, textiles, etc.)
- All entries must be mailed flat
- Please provide a short narrative (100 words or less) on the inspiration, vision, and importance of the poster design
- Contestant's name and grade level must be written on the back of the poster
- All contestants must sign a release making their entry the property of OC Housing Authority and acknowledging the original posters will not be returned

Age Categories :

- Elementary: K - 5th Grade
- Middle: 6th - 8th Grade
- High: 9th - 12th Grade

**All entries must be submitted by
March 19th, 2026,
to be considered.**

**Mail to: OC Housing Authority
1501 E. St. Andrew,
Santa Ana, CA 92705
Ref: Poster Contest**



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ARTIST INFORMATION FORM

ARTIST NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

NAME OF PARENT / GUARDIAN _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ EMAIL _____

AGE CATEGORY

WHAT IS THE ARTIST'S GRADE LEVEL? (CHECK ONE)

ELEMENTARY (K-5)

MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)

HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

BY SIGNING BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT:

- I HAVE PROVIDED TRUE INFORMATION TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
- I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT UPON SUBMISSION, THE ARTIST'S POSTER AND NARRATIVE WILL BECOME THE SOLE PROPERTY OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE INCLUDING THE ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY (COLLECTIVELY, "ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY") AND ARTIST HEREBY GRANTS ALL RIGHTS, TITLE, AND INTEREST TO THE ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY WITHOUT COMPENSATION OR PAYMENT OF ANY KIND.
- ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY SHALL HAVE EXCLUSIVE AND FULL RIGHTS TO EDIT, ALTER, COPY, EXHIBIT, PUBLISH, OR DISTRIBUTE THE POSTER AND NARRATIVE FOR ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE AND MAY RETAIN THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS.
- I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT IF MY SUBMISSION IS SELECTED, MY POSTER AND NARRATIVE WILL BE SENT TO THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT OFFICIALS, AND MY POSTER AND NARRATIVE MAY BE PUBLISHED IN A CALENDAR.
- I ADDITIONALLY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO INSPECT OR APPROVE THE FINISHED PRODUCT WHEREIN THE POSTER OR NARRATIVE APPEARS AND ANY RIGHT TO ANY ROYALTIES OR OTHER COMPENSATION ARISING OR RELATED TO THE USE OF THE POSTER OR NARRATIVE.

ARTIST SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____



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PLEASE PROVIDE A SHORT NARRATIVE (100 WORDS OR LESS) ON THE INSPIRATION, VISION, AND IMPORTANCE OF THE POSTER DESIGN.



Consent to Photograph/Video Record and Publish

OC Community Resources
601 N. Ross St., 6th Floor
Santa Ana, CA 92701

I hereby grant the County of Orange, including OC Community Resources and the Orange County Housing Authority (collectively, "County of Orange"), permission to use my voice, name, and/or likeness without compensation. I specifically waive all rights I may have to any claims for payment or royalties in connection with the use of any photo, video, or audio recording taken by the County of Orange or any person or entity designated by the County of Orange.

By signing this form, I consent to the release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction of my voice, name, and/or likeness for news, webcasts, marketing and publicity purposes, inclusion on websites, social media platforms, or any other purpose by the County of Orange and its representatives. I release the County of Orange, its officers, employees, and all other persons involved from any liability connected with the taking, recording, digitizing, publication, and use of interviews, photographs, computer images, video, and/or sound recordings.

I am at least 18 years of age and competent to contract in my own name. I have read this release before signing below and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this release.

If the person photographed/filmed is under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian signature is required.

Participant's Name (Print): _____

Participant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

If under 18 years:

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____



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COMPLETE CONSENT FORM