CalCPA, in partnership with the AICPA’s Women’s Initiatives Executive Committee, is celebrating outstanding women in the profession who have made significant contributions or who demonstrate characteristics that enable them to become leaders. Both the nominees and winners will be featured in various publications and potentially asked to participate in local events as panel members to discuss the strategies for achieving success.

To submit a nomination, fill out the cover sheet below and provide supporting evidence of her contributions to both the profession and her community. Required documentation includes: a high-resolution head shot, resume/CV, one page bio (max) and at least one letter of recommendation describing why the nominee should be considered. Other evidence of each item listed below is not required for consideration. Nominees should have made significant contributions in more than one category of accomplishment. Past winners are not eligible to be nominated. Email nomination forms and supporting documents to denise.bethel@calcpa.org. All nominations are due Friday, Feb. 28.

Awards will be given in three categories—Experienced Leaders, Emerging Leaders and Trailblazers. Within each of the three categories, we will recognize a public practice CPA, a Business and Industry CPA and a non-CPA. If the incorrect award category is chosen, the nominee will be reassigned into the correct category. Winners will be selected by members of the Women’s Leadership Forum Planning Committee. All nominees are encouraged to attend the Women’s Leadership Forum at TBD location in the Los Angeles area on Friday, April 24, where the winners will be announced at the luncheon. Limit five nominees per organization.

**Experienced Leaders**
Defined as one who has advanced to a higher level or leadership position within the organization. Titles include, but are not limited to partner, owner, elected official or appointee, executive, etc.

1. Authorship of articles
2. Major or unique contribution to the profession
3. Public and/or community service
4. Mentoring other professionals*
5. Improvement to the workplace

Please provide supporting documentation as evidence of accomplishments. A high resolution head shot, resume/CV, one page bio (max) and at least one letter of recommendation are required. Copies of articles, list of awards and recognitions, three words to describe the nominee and other letters of recommendation from supervisors, peers, mentees, etc. are not required but strongly recommended.

*Graded with a higher weight

**Emerging Leaders**
Defined as a professional who has made significant contributions to the profession and to her community, but who has not yet reached the highest levels of advancement.

1. Public and/or community service
2. Demonstration of leadership
3. Contribution to the profession
4. Creation and implementation of unique initiative(s)
5. Involvement with alma mater or other local colleges and universities

Please provide supporting documentation as evidence of accomplishments. A high resolution head shot, resume/CV, one page bio (max) and at least one letter of recommendation are required. Three words to describe the nominee and other letters of recommendation from supervisors, peers, students, community organizations, etc. are not required but strongly recommended.

**Trailblazers**
Defined as a professional who has made extraordinary contributions above and beyond to the profession and to her community. This professional has brought upon new ways of working within the profession, and exemplifies “out of the box” thinking and dedication.

1. Public and/or community service
2. Demonstration of leadership
3. Contribution to the profession
4. Creation and implementation of unique initiative(s)
5. Involvement with alma mater or other local colleges and universities

Please provide supporting documentation as evidence of accomplishments. A high resolution head shot, resume/CV, one page bio (max) and at least one letter of recommendation are required. Three words to describe the nominee and other letters of recommendation from supervisors, peers, students, community organizations, etc. are not required but strongly recommended.

If you have questions about the nomination process, membership status, requirements, or selecting which category your nominee falls under, please contact Denise Bethel at (619) 788-8555 or denise.bethel@calcpa.org.
### Nomination Cover Sheet

Please indicate which category you feel best suits your nominee:

- [ ] Emerging Leader–Public Practice CPA
- [ ] Emerging Leader–Business and Industry CPA
- [ ] Emerging Leader–Non-CPA
- [ ] Experienced Leader–Public Practice CPA
- [ ] Experienced Leader–Business and Industry CPA
- [ ] Experienced Leader–Non-CPA
- [ ] Trailblazer–Public Practice CPA
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### Checklist of supporting documents provided:

- [ ] High-Resolution Headshot Photo of Nominee  
  (Required: JPG or EPS file format, at least 300 dpi resolution)

**Provide the following electronically:**

- [ ] Resume/CV (required)
- [ ] One page bio (max; required)
- [ ] Letter of Recommendation(s) (at least 1 required)
- [ ] Articles
- [ ] Awards & Recognitions
- [ ] Other __________________________________________

*Please submit no later than Friday, Feb. 28 by email to: Denise Bethel, denise.bethel@calcpa.org*