



DISTINGUISHED GRANGE

THE DISTINGUISHED GRANGE PROGRAM honors Subordinate and State Granges that fulfill their responsibilities as part of the National Grange, while excelling in the areas of membership, fundraising, and service to their communities.

The program is presented annually at National Session.

The **2015-2016** Distinguished Granges will be honored for their work done from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 .

The deadline to register as a Distinguished Grange will be August 12, 2016 .

Distinguished Granges will be honored at a special reception at National Session, and will be recognized in the Annual Honors Booklet. They will receive a certificate to commemorate the occasion, along with a ribbon for the Subordinate or State Master at Convention. Granges that are considered distinguished for five consecutive years will receive a plaque for their hall.

Please complete the application and send to:

National Grange
Distinguished Grange Program
1616 H Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006

All applications must be postmarked by August 12, 2016 for consideration.
Applications received AFTER this deadline WILL NOT BE accepted.



CRITERIA FOR 2016 DISTINGUISHED SUBORDINATE GRANGE

Grange Name: _____ Number: _____

City/County: _____ State: _____

Name of Submitter: _____

Current Grange Position Held: _____

Address: _____

City/County: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

- Submit a copy of check for donations, and a copy of the article to the National Grange e-newsletter or website and/or story in another news outlet.**

Check all that apply.

- Net membership gain (20 points)**
Our Grange had a net gain of _____ members from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.
- Update your Grange information in the National Grange Membership Database (20 points)** Our Grange last updated our membership roster on _____ (Date).
- Start new Junior Grange or net membership gain in existing JG (20 points)**
Our Junior Grange had a net gain of _____ members from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.
Our Grange started a new Junior Grange.
Junior Grange Name: _____ Charter Date: _____
- Send representative to at least one National event (Legislative Fly-In, GOAL Seminar, Convention, Regional Youth/Junior Conference, Regional Leaders or Lecturer's Conference) from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016* (15 points)**
Our Grange sent _____ (Name) to the _____ (Event).
- Delegate representation at State Session (10 points)**
Our Grange sent _____ (Name) as a delegate to State Session.
- Host at least two community service/educational events (10 points)**
Event Name: _____ Date: _____
Event Name: _____ Date: _____

- Submit a letter/email confirming all of your Local & Pomona Granges are listed on the Find A Grange database/have a grange.org website or a notice that there are necessary changes to be made to the list. (10 points)
- Send resolutions to National Grange electronically (5 points)
- Send contact information including email for the State Legislative Director, Communication Director and Membership Director to the National Grange by email to Bryan Marchefsky at bmarchefsky@nationalgrange.org. (10 points)
- Submit at least one article to National Grange Communication Department via the National Grange website or email (5 points) Date: _____
- Host a State Junior or Youth Event (10 points)
Event Name: _____ Date: _____
Event Description: _____
- Net state wide regular membership gain (20 points)
Our State Grange had a net gain in membership of _____ from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.
- Host State legislative or State Grangers Organized to Vote event (10 points)
Event Name: _____ Date: _____
Event Description: _____
- Submit at least one statewide contest winner for competition or display at 2014 National Grange Convention (5 points)
Name: _____ Project: _____
- Submit to National Grange the 2015 Community Service Report. (5 points)
Grange: _____

Point Total: _____

Must get 100 points to qualify (out of 185 possible points)

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the above information is correct:

Printed Name

Date

Signature