



**Agenda Item A.3
PRESENTATION
Meeting Date: June 19, 2018**

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers
FROM: Carmen Nichols, Deputy City Manager
SUBJECT: Fairview Gardens

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the Fairview Gardens annual performance report.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Goleta provided funding to the Center for Urban Agriculture at Fairview Gardens, for \$50,000 since Fiscal Year 15/16. This is the opportunity for the Council to receive an update on the Center's programs and future goals.

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Lacey Baldiviez will present an annual update to the Council on the operations and programs funded by the Council's contribution of \$50,000 in Fiscal Year 17/18. This report will include remarks on their current programs for environmental and agricultural education, community building and the garden as a supplier of locally grown food.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

The City's FY 2017-18 budget included \$50,000 in grant funding for the Center for Urban Agriculture at Fairview Gardens.

Reviewed By:

Carmen Nichols
Deputy City Manager

Approved By:

Michelle Greene
City Manager

Attachments:

1. Fairview Gardens 2017 Annual Report

Attachment 1

Fairview Gardens 2017 Annual Report



FAIRVIEW GARDENS

Lacey M Baldiviez, PhD

Executive Director

City of Goleta Request for Support

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Our Mission



Fairview Gardens builds critical connections between our community, agriculture, and education.





Environment

We are creating a sustainable ecosystem that builds soil, supports our native wildlife, and protects vulnerable pollinators.



Food

Our food is organically grown in a minimal-tillage system. Equal access to our produce is facilitated through partnerships with Sansum Diabetes Research Center, SB County Foodbank, an honor system farm stand, and is available to our children in each of our educational programs.



Education

We train beginning farmers in technical skills and business development through our Food System Entrepreneurial Academy and started a broader reaching Farm to School program. We offer educational tours, Afterschool enrichment, Homeschool programs, Summer Farm Camp, and Sprouts for families with infants and toddlers.



Community

All of this work is ultimately designed to bring our community members together to connect with each other and nature for a happier, healthier future!

Future Goals

- Renovation of our historic farmhouse
- Farm stand partnership with Isla Vista Co-op
- Edible education partnership with Explore Ecology
- Sustainability programs
 - Water capture and retention
 - Soil building and nutrition
 - Trees