

2018

Annual Report

A Davis Community Resource for Education, Inspiration, and Engagement



Dear Friends of Central Park Gardens,

2018 marked the 11th year of growth and development for Central Park Gardens of Davis. Although our volunteer effort has been building for over a decade, our existence as a nonprofit organization is still in its infancy. We are so grateful to all the volunteers, donors, and partners who have supported Central Park Gardens of Davis this year, allowing us to build a strong foundation for a robust future.

We kicked off 2018 with the development of a strategic plan with four main goals to guide our work in the years to come:

- 1. EDUCATE Strengthen the garden as an educational resource
- 2. INSPIRE Continue developing the beauty and vitality of the garden
- 3. ENGAGE Actively engage with the community to expand our audience and improve the experience of visitors, volunteers, and donors
- 4. SUSTAIN Ensure the long-term survival of the garden

This report shares our progress towards meeting these goals, and I am particularly proud of our work to expand our educational signage in the garden, develop a new tour program, and use social media as a platform to engage a broader community. As an all-volunteer organization, we depend on the passion, creativity, and commitment of community members to operate. Coming together to care for a public garden is a powerful expression of love of nature and love of community. Please help us keep this spirit alive and thriving by supporting and sharing our work.

Thank you,

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Emily Griswold, President

Volunteer Engagement





- Volunteer Board members and Garden Stewards led 22 Saturday volunteer gardening sessions in 2018 to care for garden plantings.
- UC Master Gardeners of Yolo County put in over 500 hours of volunteer service to support public education through the garden.



Public Education

Workshop Feedback

"Great presentation"

"...very informative for a beginner"

"...exactly what I needed"

"...very helpful subject matter and lovely presentation"

"...two presenters are very knowledgeable also realistic and practical"

"...answered all our questions"

Free Gardening Workshops

Volunteers from the UC Master Gardeners of Yolo County held 10 public workshops in the gardens on sustainable plants and gardening practices.



Public Education



New Educational Initiatives

- A new seasonal signage program highlighted special features in the garden, expanding learning opportunities for casual visitors.
- We launched a new seasonal tour program guided by trained volunteer UC Master Gardeners of Yolo County.

What's Wrong with this Peach Tree?

Peach Leaf Curl is a fungal disease that affects the blossoms, fruit, leaves and shoots of peach trees. The distorted, puckered, reddened foliage that it causes can be readily seen in Spring. Look for resistant varieties or treat the tree with fungicide each year after the leaves fall.

Go to $\underline{ipm.ucanr.edu/QT/peachleafcurl.html}$ for more information on how to manage this disease.















Community Engagement





Davis Central Park Gardens is with Emily Griswold. December 2, 2018 · 😵

We appreciate all of the wonderful volunteers that came out to help in the garden on Saturday!! Thank you for your service to this garden and your community!!



- Our Open House and Plant Sale is our largest public event of the year, and our main fundraiser. Volunteers grew over 850 vegetable, herb, flower, succulent, and native plants for the sale.
- We presented information about the garden to the Sunrise Rotary Club, Noontime Rotary Club, and Soroptimists of Davis
- We expanded our social media presence with regular plant profiles and images of events in the garden

Instagram

- 87 posts generated in 2018
- 349 total followers by the end of 2018

Facebook

• 300+ page likes in 2018



Financial Summary

2018 Annual Financial Report

for fiscal year ending December 31, 2018

Support and Revenue*

Unrestricted Contributions	\$ 5,766
Plant and T-shirt Sales	\$ 1,619
	\$ 7,385
Expenses	
Garden Maintenance and Enhancement	\$ 228
Special Events	\$ 843
Insurance	\$ 1,262
Website	\$ 588
General Administrative	\$ 203
	\$ 3,124
Increase in Net Assets	\$ 4,261
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$ 9,737
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 13,998

*Note that this does not include in-kind donations



Thank You

Founding Friends

Pipevine Patrons (\$1000+) Lois Wolk

Sage Supporters (\$500+) Ann Daniel Chris Decker Jacques and Galia Franco Emily Griswold

Lily Leaders (\$250+) Dan Dowling

Bee Benefactors (\$100+)

Malia Curby Joyce Hardi Judy Hecomovich Susan Moore Gail Morriss Allan Peterson D.B. Robinson Karen Sibbett Allan and Jean Telford Janet Thatcher

Deergrass Defenders (\$70+) Elsa Ruiz Duran

Poppy Protectors (\$35+)

Karen Carberry-Goh Sue Carriere Julie Jacquemin Jeri Ohmart Tribute to Willa Pettygrove Paul and Linda Parsons

Seedling Stewards (\$15+) Barbara Anderson

Volunteer Leaders

Board Members

Emily Griswold, President Ann Daniel, Treasurer Jan Bower, Secretary Zachary Bouchard Marion Cantor Malia Curby Chris Decker Jim Fowler Judy Hecomovich Susan Moore Peg Smith Allan Telford Jean Telford

Garden Stewards

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Tour Program

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