

California Department of Food and Agriculture

2020 CalAgPlate Grant Program Project Abstracts

California Association, Future Farmers of America

\$197,458

Leadership and Programmatic Development

CalAgPlate grant funding will support student leadership and program development for California's statewide Future Farmers of America (FFA) program, which has 338 school chapters throughout the state that provide integral leadership instruction through the FFA student organization to 95,253 student members. This program will increase student access to information about career, leadership, and programmatic opportunities.

Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center

\$9,730

Next Generation Urban Agriculture and Food System Leaders Program

The Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center will provide an educational and job readiness program designed to benefit the low/moderate income students living in National City, CA. The goals of the program are to inspire high school youth to become urban growers and food system leaders, increase food security, and build a coalition of youth engaged in continued learning and civic activity. This project will provide students with leadership and teambuilding opportunities, practical job skills such as accountability and communication, and a community to support growth and networking.

21 A Madera District Fair

\$9,237

Madera Fair Collaborative Digital Ag Studio

Madera District Fair will build a Digital Ag Studio to digitally promote awareness of agriculture content of the Central Valley. The studio will be built on location and have the means of being mobile to record and/or broadcast from multiple points of interest from within the fairgrounds. The studio will be used to interview top agricultural members, create educational videos and broadcast segments for children of all ages to enjoy while at the fair or at home. This project will serve the community by extending the outreach beyond the boundaries of the fairgrounds through recorded and live streamed content.

California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom

\$8,556

Super Saturday – A Zoom Webinar for Educators with Five Hands-on Activities for use in the Classroom or with Distance Learning

The California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom (CFAITC) will conduct a webinar for educators and community-based organizations involved in providing agricultural education to youth. The webinar sessions will provide participants with hands-on activities for teaching youth about agriculture in the economy and society, include speakers from the agriculture industry and a live virtual field trip. The activities will center around agricultural topics such as plant nutrients, careers in agriculture, or fruits and vegetables for health. This project has the ability to reach thousands of students through the 150 educators that participate in the online webinar.

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California Farmland Trust

\$6,000

Orange You Glad We Have Farmland Supply Kits

This project will provide 40 elementary educators with classroom resources kits and training related to the importance of protecting farmland. California Farmland Trust will provide a poster-based and hands on curriculum activity designed for fifth grade students that can be conducted virtually or in-person. The developed curriculum and activities will teach students the importance of farmland and its use for our future.