



## Want to Green Up?

I Love a Clean SD and the City of Encinitas are co-hosting a series of Green Workshops at Farm Lab. The next one is May 4th. Sign up [here](#) for the 'Adventures in Sustainability' workshop!

## Did You Know?

### Property Updates:

- Fifteen shade trees have been planted. More to come!
- The Ecology Center crew is planting over 150 food forest trees on the north side of the property. The organic avocados, citrus, and stone fruit will feed directly into EUSD's organic school lunch program.
- An electric front gate has been installed to enhance property safety.

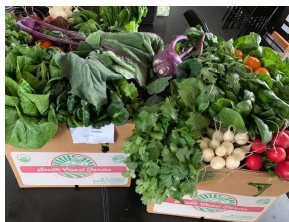


### Farming Updates:

- The Ecology Center manages our on site farming and they are building the north side of the property into a community educational space. Read more about their plans at Farm Lab [here](#)!
- Between April and December, over 17,000 pounds of certified organic produce were harvested at Farm Lab for our farm to school program.
- Our main growing fields were recently stripped of matter and planted with cover crop to enhance the soil for the next growing season. By summer of 2019, the growing fields will be in production again. In the interim, The Ecology Center is providing our schools weekly organic lettuce and produce from their organic farm in San Juan Capistrano. What an amazing partnership!

### Curriculum Updates:

- Farm Lab's DREAMS Campus (Design, Research, Engineering, Art, Math and Science) serves all 5400 EUSD students. Through the Next Generation Science Standards, on site educational programming provides Project Based Learning experiences that develop student understanding of sustainability and environmental stewardship.
- We are currently hosting sixth graders for Salad Wars - our week long entrepreneurial unit and salad dressing competition. In addition to engineering desalination models to collect fresh water, student teams are developing an organic salad dressing and marketing presentation. Collaboration, creativity, and design thinking skills are being put to the con-test!



## Want to Support Local Farmers & Nourish Your Family?

Our farming partners, The Ecology Center, have made Farm lab a pick up site for their Farm Share. (A Community Supported Agriculture program.) Click [here](#) for details!