

# CASA BLANCA EDUCATIONAL GARDEN

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## Casa Blanca Library & Vacant Parcel



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- Arrival area
- B.
- Chicken exhibit
  Central gathering area
- Water exhibit
- Nutrition garden
- Bugs exhibit
- Interactive soil exhibit Historical exhibit
- Food nutrition exhibit
- Garden box exhibit
- Bee exhibit
- Farm pond Fruit trees exhibit
- Nut tree exhibit
- Specialty fruit trees exhibit
- Additional fruit tree exhibits
- Q. R. Vineyard exhibit
- Music garden
- Row crow exhibit Historical Exhibit
- **Butterfly Exhibit**
- Seasonal Flower Exhibit
- W. Row Crop
  X. Historical Exhibit
- Y. Pavilion

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## Farm + Food Lab in Irvine

- > Visual, sensory destination garden
- > Edible landscape
- ➤ Learning center







### Farm + Food Lab in Irvine

- Pavilion for community events
- Workshops on food, healthy eating, gardening techniques, others
- Children's events, story time









### Farm + Food Lab in Irvine

Activities for individuals of all ages











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# **Alignment**

Riverside Public Library's Mission and Vision

- Cultural Learning
- Diverse Ideas
- Lifelong Learning



"Sparking curiosity and providing tools for discovery."



#### **Potential Partners**

- 1. Casa Blanca Community Action Group
- 2. Villegas Park Advisory Committee
- 3. Parks, Recreation & Community Services
- 4. Riverside Public Utilities
- 5. Riverside Public Library
- 6. Riverside Unified School District
- 7. County of Riverside
- 8. UCR Cooperative Extension
- 9. UCR Master Gardeners
- 10. Corporate & Non-Profit Sponsors





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#### Recommendations

That the Board of Library Trustees direct Library staff to collaborate with the Community & Economic Development Department on the planning and subsequent development of a Casa Blanca Educational Garden on Cityowned vacant land APN 230-351-016.



# **Any Questions?**

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