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Yolo County Community Garden Dedication on September 23

(Woodland, CA) – On Monday, September 23 at 11:00 a.m., Yolo County will dedicate its new community garden, located adjacent to the Herbert Bauer Health and Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Building at 137 N. Cottonwood Avenue in Woodland. The garden is a quarter-acre plot of land that will have multiple garden areas including one for children, a demonstration garden and a community garden and orchard.

"This garden will be a special place in our community where children and adults can come to learn about gardening and enjoy its bounty," said Yolo County Supervisor Don Saylor.

"We wanted to use the land adjacent to our building to grow healthy food for the community and to create a space for community activities centered around the public health benefits of gardening," said Laurie Green, Yolo County Health Department program manager.

The dedication will begin with a welcome and opening remarks from Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Duane Chamberlain with Yolo County Supervisor Don Saylor serving as master of ceremonies for the unveiling of the garden name.

Staff of the Yolo County Health Department have contributed time into preparing the garden space. Other sponsors of this project include: General Mills, Network for a Healthy California, Yolo County WIC, First 5 Yolo, Yolo County 4-H, Yolo County Agriculture Department, YoloArts, Ace Hardware Davis, CA 4 Health, TSL Seed Company, Farm Fresh To You, Yolo County Probation Youth Justice Initiative, Shelter Works Ltd. and Davis Sunrise Rotary; along with community members: Richard and Shipley Walters, Elizabeth Banks, Stewart and Ann Teal, William Maynard, John, Shannan and Travis Young, Jill Cook, Connie Caldwell, Mark Harlan, Leslie Lindbo, Araceli Chavira and Antonio Aranda.