

## **COUNTY OF YOLO**

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## **Garden Class Nov. 7: Gardening Without Pesticides**

(Woodland, CA) – Are you curious about how to garden without pesticides and still keep the harmful critters away? The Hanna & Herbert Bauer Memorial Community Garden, located in Woodland and sponsored by the Yolo County Health & d Human Services Agency, will be host to a free gardening class, Integrated Pest Management: Gardening Without Pesticides, on Saturday, November 7 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

This class will provide an overview of the Integrative Pest Management approach to gardening. Topics will include strategies for gardening without pesticides, how to identify products that are safe for use in the garden, techniques for identifying beneficial and harmful insects, and how to use plant and soil properties to help keep harmful critters at bay and optimize yield.

The class is free to all and is taught by UC Master Gardener of Yolo County, Barbara Ohlendorf. The class will take place outside in the community garden, so please dress for the outdoors and bring water. The garden is located at the Yolo County Bauer Building at 137 N. Cottonwood Street. Pre-registration is required by November 5. To register, contact Robin Rocksvold at (530) 666-8528 or robin.rocksvold@yolocounty.org.

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