



September 3, 2026

City of Sacramento
915 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for NorCal Resist's Seeds of Solidarity Urban Farm at Oki Park Open Space

Dear City of Sacramento:

On behalf of the Neighbors of College-Glen (NCG) Board of Directors, I am pleased to express our strong support for NorCal Resist's proposal to continue operating the Seeds of Solidarity urban farm at the Oki Park Open Space for the next five years.

Seeds of Solidarity has become a tremendous asset to Oki Park and the surrounding College-Glen community. The farm has transformed the open space into a beautiful, productive, and pleasant place for neighbors to visit and enjoy. Alongside the City's recent improvements to the site, including the new bike path, water fountain, and tables, Seeds of Solidarity has significantly improved the quality and vitality of this previously underutilized area of Oki Park. The farm is a safe, welcoming, and engaging community space that we are proud to have in our neighborhood.

As a volunteer-run program of NorCal Resist, Seeds of Solidarity also provides a meaningful public benefit beyond the boundaries of Oki Park. Using regenerative farming practices, volunteers grow herbs and vegetables that are distributed free of charge through NorCal Resist's food distribution programs to community members experiencing food insecurity. This season alone, the farm has already harvested more than 1,700 pounds of fresh produce.

Equally important is the sense of community the farm has created. Seeds of Solidarity welcomes participation by people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds through twice-weekly public workdays and educational programming. Workshops held during workday water breaks provide opportunities for participants to learn about regenerative agriculture, gardening, food systems, and related topics in an approachable, hands-on environment. Neighbors can volunteer, participate in harvests, meet the farmers, ask questions, and learn more about the project.

NCG is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our federal tax identification number is 92-2840253. For more information about NCG and its efforts, please visit www.neighborsofcollegeglen.org.

The farm's partnerships with organizations such as the Chicha Collective and Marigold Society further demonstrate how the site supports community connection and cultural programming in Sacramento. These collaborations, along with the farm's food distribution and educational efforts, have allowed a relatively small piece of public open space to serve many purposes at once: growing food, supporting residents in need, providing education, building community, and creating a more inviting neighborhood gathering place.

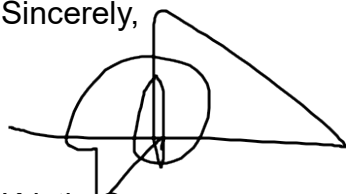
From NCG's perspective, community response to Seeds of Solidarity has been overwhelmingly positive. We have seen significant support for the farm through interactions with residents and discussions in neighborhood social media groups. The project reflects the kind of community-driven use of public space that strengthens neighborhoods and encourages residents to feel connected to the places where they live.

NCG believes the continued operation of Seeds of Solidarity at Oki Park Open Space will provide lasting benefits to College-Glen and the greater Sacramento community. A five-year term will give NorCal Resist the stability needed to continue investing in the soil, infrastructure, partnerships, educational programming, and volunteer community that have made the farm so successful.

For these reasons, the Neighbors of College-Glen Board of Directors is proud to support NorCal Resist and its Seeds of Solidarity program in its RFP bid to continue operating the urban farm at Oki Park Open Space for the next five years.

We respectfully encourage the City of Sacramento to select NorCal Resist and allow this valuable community resource to continue growing and serving Sacramento.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kristin Goree', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Kristin Goree
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