



Jane Goodall's
Roots & Shoots
USA

Roots & Shoots – Los Angeles Basecamp

Fall 2024 Project Grant Awards

Calabasas High School

Calabasas High School has a long-standing Roots & Shoots club that is restoring an on campus green space. They are using their Roots & Shoots grant to fund host cleanup events, plant native species, install drip irrigation, and create an outdoor education area.

AndOneSports

AndOneSports promotes sports equity by providing free gear and peer-led coaching to Title 1 schools. High school athletes mentor younger kids, building leadership and community. They used their Roots & Shoots grant to purchase sports equipment based on each school's specific needs.

Native Habitat for Bats

Roots & Shoots member Keats noticed that local bats struggled to find shelter in his concrete-heavy neighborhood. With support from a Roots & Shoots grant, he helped plant native plants to support bat habitat in a local park. He also led an educational event with two elementary schools to raise awareness about the importance of bats and involve students in creating a more bat-friendly community.

Mental Health Resources

Mia is supporting mental health within her community by distributing free bilingual wellness kits at monthly produce distribution events. Each kit includes items like stress balls, journals, and breathing exercises, along with local mental health resources.

Community History through Art

Mahyar uses art to strengthen community bonds and celebrate cultural heritage in Canoga Park. Local youth are collecting and displaying photos and poems that reflect the area's history and environment. With their Roots & Shoots grant, the team is covering costs for framing, venue fees, and event materials to bring the exhibit to life and inspire community pride and reflection.

Upland High School

The Roots & Shoots club at Upland High School is using their Roots & Shoots grant to purchase native plants and give them away on Earth Day. The goal is to support local wildlife and raise awareness about the importance of native species. By helping community members plant these in their own gardens, the group hopes to create a healthier, more vibrant environment for both people and animals.

Reducing Food Waste

Students saw fresh bread being discarded at a local bakery and were inspired to tackle food waste in their community. Their project focuses on two goals: repurposing food waste for gardening and connecting surplus food with people facing food insecurity. With their Roots & Shoots grant, they're purchasing gardening supplies and reusable bags for food distribution.

FEAST Garden at Occidental College

After removing invasive ivy, FEAST is restoring a garden space by planting native species to support local ecosystems and biodiversity. This project aligns with their mission to promote ecological restoration. With the Roots & Shoots grant, they will purchase 50 gallons of native plants to enrich the space and benefit the environment.