



Tour, workshop brings another sustainable garden to Vacaville

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VACAVILLE — All are invited Saturday to transform a Vacaville lawn into a thriving ecosystem.

The event begins with a tour of the backyard and instruction on the custom water-efficient front yard design. Those who attend will then work as a community to dig a swale to divert roofwater and plant fruit tree guilds to transform the front yard.

Since the launch of its Sustainable Backyard program in 2014, Sustainable Solano has created 17 food-producing, self-sustaining demonstration "food forest" gardens across Solano County on public and private land.

The selected homeowner is a longtime Vacaville resident with a vision to transform her front yard from barren, dead grass to an oasis of edible and beneficial trees and plants. The homeowner will provide lunch. The program officially expanded to Vacaville in mid-August.

Since the launch, sustainable landscape classes have been offered to Vacaville residents covering sustainable landscape design, wise-water practices and permaculture.

Registration is required. The event is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit www.sustainablesolano.org/events to register.

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