

Fresh Focus Quarterly Report



What is Fresh Focus?

Fresh Focus is a program based on the 23-acre Student Farm at University of California, Davis. The UC Davis Student Farm provides a space where students can learn, practice, and model an ecologically, socially, and economically, sustainable agriculture and food system. The Student Farm welcomes all students to build a more equitable and just farm and food system by cultivating student initiative, leadership, and experiential learning. In 2014, two Student Farmers created the Fresh Focus program to glean surplus produce from the student farm to donate to the ASUCD student-run food pantry. This initiative expanded into the Fresh Focus program. The goal of Fresh Focus is to reduce food loss while supporting student access to fresh produce.



A Special Thank You

to our funders, Aggie Compass and the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences!

Summer Highlights:



- Distributed 3,187 pounds of fresh produce
- Irrigated Fresh Focus' potato beds
- Distributed to our summer partners, Davis Night Market and Knights Landing
- Sent out 116 bins to 4 partners

Meet our Team!



2 Lead Student Farmers...

- Diosely Martinez, Graduate Managerial Economics major
- Lana Dao, 3rd year Managerial Economics major

3 Incredible Interns

- Graham Deleon, 3rd year Environmental Policy Analysis and Planning major
- Juno Vo, 4th year Evolution, Ecology, and Biodiversity major
- David Hurd, 3rd year Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major

... And 7 Supportive Student Farm Staff

Thank you to our Student Farm Director Colin Dixon, Fresh Focus Coordinator Judy Jun, Market Garden Manager Emma Torbert, Ecological Garden Manager Julia Schreiber, SCOPE Manager Laura Roser, Market Garden Farmer Ken Earl, and Field Operations Manager Jim Muck.



Quotes from our Summer team...

"What I enjoyed most about my experience working at Fresh Focus was the sense of community on the farm. I greatly enjoyed the weekly lunches and lectures with everyone! I also love how at the farm, everyone comes from different educational backgrounds and the LSFs are understanding of everyone having different levels of experience with farming. Everyone is more than willing to help teach farm skills and ensure that everyone feels welcome no matter what their prior farming experience may be." - Graham

At A Glance

Our partners include the Fruit and Veggie Up!, Davis Night Market, Knights Landing, and The Freedges.



That's equivalent to about 2,655 meals!

Supported 4 partnerships

Distributed 3,187 pounds of fresh produce in Summer Sessions 1 & 2

Donated over 54 varieties of fruits and vegetables

Check out all the produce varieties we harvested!



okra grape sage green-beans
cabbage rosemary
summer tomatillo chard
mint zucchini spinach
cucumber tomato squash
basil lavender eggplant
cucumber corn fennel
lavender fig haley potato
onion parsley
collards