



## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 06/15/2025 Superintendent Dave Valenzuela

Administrator/Staff: Michael Herzog

Type of Item: ☐ Informational ☒ Action

**Please state your proposal briefly and clearly. What do you want the board to know, discuss, or decide?**

I would like to apply for a grant that converts a vacant lot into a community garden. It will give our students hands on learning by providing \$20,000 to build a garden. The Grant is called the "Lots of Compassion Grant". [HERE](#) is a link to the website.

**Provide history/background information on your proposal:**

[There is a vacant lot next to our school. It came to my attention there is a "Lots for Compassion" grant to convert the lot into a garden. The grant is for \\$20,000 that will provide an opportunity for our students to design, plant, maintain and harvest a garden.](#)

**List the advantages of your proposal:**

Advantages are students getting hands on experience growing their own food and eating the fruits of their labor.

**List possible disadvantages of your proposal:**

I do not see any disadvantages.

**List possible alternatives that could also offer a solution to your proposal. Why were they not recommended?**

An alternative would be to take out money from my budget to fund this project. It would not be recommended as it would take away from other programs we fund.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve Yes ☐ No ☐