

Garden Club of Palo Alto — Charitable Grants (1924–2026)

Year	Amount	Recipient / Purpose
1924	\$25.00	\$25 to the Palo Alto City Library to purchase books on gardening
1924	\$70.00	\$70 for the improvement of the Palo Alto Public Library gardens
1925	\$10.00	\$10 to the Woman's International League for Peace and Freedom
1926	\$40.00	\$40 for two box trees in Chinese jars to be placed on the front of the Palo Alto
1926	\$53.00	\$53 for plants for the Library Garden
1926	\$10.00	\$10 to the Girl Scouts
1926	\$26.95	\$26.95 for forty-nine Christmas wreaths (\$.55 each) to the City of Palo Alto
1928	\$50.00	\$50 for the purchase of books on gardening for the Palo Alto Public Library
1929	\$100.00	\$100 to the California Commission to Restrict Outdoor Advertising
1929	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1929	\$100.00	\$100 towards landscaping the Palo Alto Hospital
1930	\$10.00	\$10 per month for six months for flowers for hospital patients
1930	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1931	\$50.00	\$50 to the American Forestry Association
1931	\$10.00	\$10 for roses to be planted at the Community House
1931	\$50.00	\$50 for books on Gardening for the Palo Alto Public Library
1931	\$100.00	\$100 for supervising and planting of the hospital gardens
1932	\$10.00	\$10 for the planting of two flowering cherry trees at Rinconada Park in honor of
1932	\$50.00	\$50 to the California Council for the protection of roadside beauty
1933	\$500.00	\$500 for the beautification of Riconada Park
1932	\$118.00	\$118 for the gardens at the Community House
1932	\$299.00	\$299 to the State of California for planting the Dumbarton underpass area
1933	\$142.00	\$142 for the preservation of the oak trees at the Southern Pacific Railroad
1933	\$50.00	\$50 to the Library Fund for purchasing gardening books
1933	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1933		The club donated the total membership dues to the Unemployment Fund to be used for preparatory work in Rinconada Park
1933	\$200.00	\$200 to the City of Palo Alto towards the master garden plan of Rinconada Park
1934	\$50.00	\$50 to the City of Palo Alto Public Library
1934	\$137.00	\$137 landscaping at the Southern Pacific Railroad station
1934	\$400.00	\$400 for Riconada Park
1934	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1934	\$30.00	\$30 to the Community House
1935	\$50.00	\$50 to the Girl Scouts for the restoration of their camp
1935	\$500.00	\$500 to the city of Palo Alto for the purchase of city trees
1935	\$498.52	\$498.52 to the Community House for furnishings
1935	\$15.51	\$15.51 to the Community Center
1936	\$35.00	\$35 to the Chamber of Commerce for Christmas greens for the city decorations
1936	\$25.00	\$25 to sponsor the writing of a book on California Trees
1936	\$25.00	\$25 to the Community Center's May Festival
1937	\$100.00	\$100 to Red Cross for food relief
1938	\$100.00	\$100 to Dr. Goodspeed for his botanical expedition to South America

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1938	\$238.00	\$238 to Golden Gate Park
1938	\$275.00	\$275 for a scholarship to the School of Gardening
1940	\$277.00	\$277 to the Red Cross
1941	\$227.31	The profit from the Garden Club's flower show, \$227.31, was given to the Red
1941	\$15.00	\$15 in support of the Adobe Hut preservation. Miss Elizabeth Gamble also contributed \$25 to this project.
1942	\$400.00	\$370 for War Bonds and \$30 for Savings Stamps
1942	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1942	\$50.00	\$50 to the Roadside Council
1942	\$50.00	\$50 for Christmas decorations for the City of Palo Alto
1943	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1943	\$50.00	\$50 to the Roadside Council
1943	\$10.00	\$10 to the Hospitality House for flower accessories
1944	\$25.00	\$25 for War Bonds
1945	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
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1947	\$50.00	\$50 to the Roadside Council
1948	\$25.00	\$25 towards the artificial limbs of Mr. Puff, who was a special friend of the Garden Club and custodian of the Community Center
1948	\$10.00	\$10 towards the Freedom Train
1948	\$350.00	\$350 for landscaping Crescent Park Elementary
1948	\$50.00	\$50 for landscaping of the new Red Cross building grounds (this was a special project that Miss Elizabeth Gamble led)
1948	\$350.00	\$350 for the landscaping and decorating of the new Crescent Park School and
1949	\$85.00	\$85 each year for the next seven years, towards scholarships for teachers to attend the Audubon Camp
1949	\$200.00	\$200 to purchase tubs for evergreen trees that were placed on the business streets of Palo Alto, and labels for about one hundred unusual trees growing on
1949	\$500.00	\$500 toward the planting in the Community Center grounds
1950	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1951	\$50.00	\$50 to Strybing Arboretum construction
1951	\$60.00	\$60 to the Roadside Council
1951	\$1,500.00	\$1500 to the new Palo Alto City Hall landscape architect
1951	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1951	\$90.00	\$90 for a teacher to be sent to the Audubon camp
1952	\$50.00	\$50 to the Butano Forest
1952		\$.10 per member or a package of vegetable seeds for distribution to the Free Asia Committee who provide seeds for the Philippines
1953	\$50.00	\$50 to the Save the Redwoods League
1953	\$500.00	\$500 to the city towards the landscaping of the new city hall

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1953	\$55.00	\$55 to finance and plan a new garden at the Y.W.C.A.
1953	\$25.00	\$25 to the California Spring Blossom and Wild Flower Association to establish the Alice Eastwood Grove in the Crary Creek Redwood State Park
1954	\$150.00	\$150 to the landscaping of the new Chamber of Commerce building
1954	\$25.00	\$25 to the Horticultural Foundation in Saratoga.
1960	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 to the Nature Conservancy
1963	\$600.00	\$600 Y.W.C.A. landscaping
1965	\$25.00	\$25 Neighbors Abroad
1965	\$50.00	\$50 to the Audubon Society
1965	\$50.00	\$50 towards planting wildflowers in the San Luis Dam area
1965	\$30.00	\$30 in support of 71 Walter Hays Elementary School sixth graders for the purchase of Redwood trees for planting at Butano State Park in Santa Cruz
1967	\$25.00	\$25 for gardening books for the Public Library
1968	\$10.00	\$10 for the Keep Tahoe Blue association
1968	\$10.00	\$10 for the Western Horticultural Society
1969	\$299.00	\$299 to the Nature Conservancy toward providing a South Bay Wildlife Refuge
1969	\$10.00	\$10 to the Save the Bay Committee drive
1969	\$40.00	\$40 for trees for the Palo Alto duck pond
1969	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 scholarship for the Botanical Dept. of U.C. Berkeley
1969	\$25.00	\$25 to the University of California Santa Cruz campus for a garden project
1970	\$25.00	\$25 to the Save Lower Tubs Island in the SF bay committee
1970	\$40.00	\$10 to the Save Lake Tahoe Council, \$15 to the California Roadside Council, \$10 to Save the Bay Council, and \$5 to the Palo Alto Historical Society
1970	\$25.00	\$25 to the University of California Botanical Gardens
1971	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 to the University of California Botanical Gardens to be used by graduate students to develop projects designed for the development of educational materials and for programs to improve the use of the garden as an educational
1971	\$299.00	\$299 to the Nature Conservancy to be used first for the Moss Landing Project and next for the Three-toed Salamander Project
1971	\$25.00	\$25 to the University of California Organic Garden Project at Santa Cruz
1972	\$299.00	\$299 to the Nature Conservancy to be used in support of the Elkhorn Slough
1972	\$299.00	\$299 to the fund for acquiring Squire House
1972	\$500.00	\$500 landscape architect to develop a landscape plan for the Embarcadero side
1974	\$299.00	\$299 to U.C. Berkeley for Mr. Bartholmew's trip to India and the Orient
1974	\$100.00	\$100 to Holmes Grove Fund to save the redwoods on Alpine Road
1974	\$179.00	\$179 to the Stevenson House for a garden tool shed
1980	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 work-study Scholarship Program at Filoli
1981	\$57.00	\$57 to support C.A.R. in the planting of bulbs along University Avenue
1981	\$1,200.00	\$1,200 to City of Palo Alto Parks for the planting of flowers in four beds in major
1981	\$299.00	\$299 to Palo Alto Tree Ceremony for the printing of tree identification maps
1983	\$200.00	\$200 to Pacific Grove in Big Basin State Park
1983	\$299.00	\$299 to Filoli to purchase garden benches
1983	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to the Senior Center

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1983	\$299.00	\$299 to Peninsula Conservation Center
1984	\$25,000.00	\$25,000 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1986	\$428.00	\$428 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1987	\$15,000.00	\$15,000 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1990	\$15,600.00	\$15,600 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1991	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1991	\$20,500.00	\$20,500 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1993	\$200.00	\$200 to Senior Day Health Program for the purchase of perennials for their
1994	\$20,500.00	\$20,500 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1994	\$250.00	\$250 to the Centennial Foundation
1994	\$4,000.00	\$4,000 to the beautification of Lucie Stern Courtyard
1994	\$300.00	\$300 to the Palo Alto Horticulture Fair
1995	\$7,500.00	\$7,500 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1995	\$7,700.00	\$7,700 for professional maintenance service and seasonal plant material for two years for the Lucie Stern Courtyard project
1996	\$23,085.00	\$23,085 to the Gamble Garden Foundation
1997	\$500.00	\$500 to Habitat for Humanity to purchase plants for the new Bay Oaks Project
1998	\$5,485.00	\$5,485 toward a Scott Loosley Gamble Garden endowment brick
1999	\$5,900.00	\$5,900 for benches for the Palo Alto High School gardens, Butterfly Lady Videos, and plants for the Y.W.C.A,
2000	\$200.00	\$200 to the Collective Garden Group of Belle Haven School
2002	\$10,000.00	\$10,000 to Gamble Garden for their Greenhouse project
2003	\$225.00	\$225 to Canopy towards their brochure and door hangars for their campaign of
2003	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 to Walter Hays Elementary School towards their educational gardening
2004	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to C.R.R. for their historic gardens
2004	\$1,975.00	\$1,975 to East Palo Alto Charter School towards their educational gardening
2004	\$1,700.00	\$1,700 to the El Carmelo School towards their educational gardening efforts
2004	\$1,961.00	\$1,961 to the Palo Alto High School for the purchase of eight trees for their
2004	\$5,000.00	\$5,000 to Gamble Garden for the restoration of their lath house
2005	\$500.00	\$500 to the Ecumenical Hunger Project for the purchase of 25 fruit trees
2005	\$1,500.00	\$1,500 to the Jane Lathrop Stanford Middle School to enhance their landscape gardens and thus provide a green space for the students to enjoy
2005	\$1,050.00	\$1,050 to the Museum of American Heritage to help them refurbish their garden
2005	\$500.00	\$500 to the Allied Arts Guild for a fundraising brick for the restoration of their
2005	\$4,000.00	\$4,000 to Gamble Garden for phase II restoration of their lath house
2006	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to C.A.R.
2006	\$5,000.00	\$5,000 to Avenidas
2006	\$9,500.00	\$9,500 to Gamble Garden
2006	\$1,300.00	\$1,300 to Canopy
2007	\$5,000.00	\$5,000 to the Save the Bay Committee
2007	\$4,000.00	\$4,000 to Barron Park Neighborhood Assoc.
2007	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Friends of Heritage Park
2007	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Gamble Garden

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2008	\$2,300.00	\$2,300 to Avenidas
2008	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Abilities United
2008	\$3,500.00	\$3,500 to Canopy
2008	\$750.00	\$750 to Foothill College beautification
2008	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Gamble Garden
2008	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Save the Bay Committee
2009	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 to the Friends of the Palo Alto Parks for the phase I restoration of Bol
2009	\$4,000.00	\$4,000 to Canopy for materials for their “tree walks”
2009	\$3,325.00	\$3,325 to Environmental Volunteers for their production of new instructional kits relating to the ecology of the Baylands
2009	\$1,650.00	\$1,650 to Hidden Villa to help in the restoration of Adobe Creek
2010	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 to Canopy for the development and printing of a new brochure focused on the importance of the urban forest
2010	\$1,350.00	\$1,350 to Gamble Garden to revitalize their historic rose garden
2011	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to La Mesa Verde in San Jose for gardening tools for 100 families
2011	\$1,667.00	\$1,667 to the Woman’s Club of Palo Alto for landscaping
2011	\$2,212.00	\$2,212 to Environmental Volunteers to update and reproduce the Forest Ecology
2011	\$18,000.00	\$18,000 to Gamble Garden of which \$15,000 was for the restoration of their rose garden and \$3,000 was an endowment for horticultural support
2012	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Friends of Palo Alto Parks for Phase I renovation of Bol Park (Baron
2012	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Environmental Volunteers for EcoCenter Interpretive Plant Signs
2012	\$5,622.00	\$5,622 to Museum of American Heritage for new signage throughout the
2013	\$1,700.00	\$1,700 to Collective Roots for community garden
2013	\$2,100.00	\$2,100 to Environmental Volunteers for a new Forest Ecology Guide
2013	\$3,300.00	\$3,300 to Canopy for an updated Canopy Arborist List
2014	\$700.00	\$700 to First Presbyterian Church for their Front Corner Sidewalk Garden
2014	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 to Gamble Garden for Heritage Camellias
2014	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 to Children’s Health Council for a new Children’s Garden
2014	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 to Canopy for translating and printing two of Canopy’s Tree Planting
2014	\$2,800.00	\$2,800 to Environmental Volunteers for self-guided interpretive tours in Spanish
2015	\$1,190.00	\$1,190 to Friends of Palo Alto Parks for Phase II of Bol Park restoration (Baron
2015	\$1,930.00	\$1,930 to Museum of American History to complete planting of history Victory
2015	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 to Gamble Garden to complete purchase of heritage camellias and
2015	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Palo Alto High School for a greenery screen beautification project for
2015	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Canopy for a new environmental program for 4th graders - “Our Tree,
2016	\$6,000.00	\$6,000 to the Living Classroom school garden program
2016	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Environmental Volunteers for a classroom project
2017	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 to Abilities United for annual planting of Linda J. Steele Heritage Garden
2017	\$4,500.00	\$4,500 to Canopy for Pilot program to Re-Oak Palo Alto Initiative
2017	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Living Classroom for 10 fruit trees, 8 planter boxes - PA Science Resource Center’s Mini-Farm
2017	\$3,290.00	\$3,290 to MOAH to replant Kitchen (Victory) Garden, remove overgrowth and
2017	\$5,900.00	\$5,900 to Random Acts of Flowers to fund weekly deliveries to Veterans

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2018	\$1,500.00	\$1,500 to Abilities United to provide horticultural training to their Heritage Garden community volunteers
2018	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 to Avenidas for horticulture therapist
2018	\$2,000.00	\$2,000 to Canopy for the Great Oak Count and re-oak Palo Alto oak program
2018	\$2,100.00	\$2,100 to Environmental Volunteers for an Earthquake Geology Site Guide used
2018	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Gamble Garden for Pollinator Garden Project
2018	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Living Classroom to fund the Palo Alto Farm to Lunch program
2018	\$4,000.00	\$4,000 to Museum of American History to restore the Ruth Bell Lane Memorial
2018	\$2,400.00	\$2,400 to Women's Club of Palo Alto for Homer Garden Restoration
2019	\$1,200.00	\$1,200 to Canopy for educational materials.
2019	\$2,800.00	\$2,800 to Environmental Volunteers to purchase supplies for 300 biodiversity
2019	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Friends of Palo Alto Parks, Bol Park Native Garden to install two
2019	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Gamble Garden supplies and signage for monarch butterfly festival.
2019	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Museum of American History for landscape conservation and
2020	\$1,330.00	\$1,330 to Environmental Volunteers for materials for Educate for Action
2020	\$3,430.00	\$3,430 to Gamble Garden for Camellia, Iris and Watershed Garden signage.
2020	\$4,392.00	\$4,392 to Create, translate and install 168 interpretive signs in 12 schools.
2021	\$1,431.00	\$1,431 to Canopy tree maintenance tools for Essential Tree Care for East Palo
2021	\$3,005.00	\$3,005 to Friends of Palo Alto Parks for materials for Bol Park benches, owl,
2021	\$1,550.00	\$1,550 to Save the Bay for Native Sees Storage upgrade (industrial refrigerator).
2022	\$2,500.00	\$2,500 to Friends of the Palo Alto Parks for native plants, markers and signs
2022		\$4,265 to Gamble Garden for Alle restoration and irrigation -- funds returned
2022	\$1,784.00	\$1,784 to EPA essential tree care to Canopy
2022	\$1,271.00	\$1,271 to Save the Bay for invasive plant removal equipment and supplies
2023	\$5,400.00	\$5,400 to Gamble Garden for Pollinator Garden Renovation for improving
2023	\$4,900.00	\$4,900 to Living Classroom at Muwekma Ohlone Garden-Monta Loma Elementary fo lumber, sign, plants
2023	\$500.00	\$ 500 to MOAH to remove dying tree, build cages and plants for 2023 Victory
2024	\$2,702.00	\$2,702 to Canopy for updated brand marketing material for working in
2024	\$2,981.00	\$2,981 to Grassroots Ecology, purchase electric soil sterilizer for pathogen-free plants for native garden.
2024	\$2,750.00	\$2,750 to Palo Alto History Museum to rehabilitate vintage camellia shrubs in courtyard and around building.
2024	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Valley Verde to support beekeeping as an urban environmental health
2025	\$1,866.00	\$1,866 to Canopy to buy an outdoor PA System to allow all to hear during a Tree
2025	\$862.00	\$862 to Friends of Palo Alto Parks to install new irrigation controller in Native
2025	\$5,250.00	\$5,250 to Gamble Garden for Native Garden Restoration.
2025	\$1,976.00	\$1,976 to Grass Roots Ecology for 10 Durashelf tables for potted starter plants.
2025	\$3,070.00	\$3,070 to Living Classrooms for Pollinator Education Signs.
2025	\$3,000.00	\$3,000 to Museum of American Heritage (MOAH) to improve Kitchen Garden
2025	\$1,000.00	\$1,000 to Neighbors Abroad to plant a grove of 10 trees in honor of Palo Alto's
2026	\$6,970.00	\$6,970 to Museum of American Heritage (MOAH) for Arboreal Restoration and Removal.

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2026	\$8,695.00	\$8,695 to Gamble Garden for Allee Renovation: removal of 13 trees, new soil, 14 disease-resistant trees.
	\$472,730	Total Granted since Inception