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## **Central Coast Greenhouse Growers Association announces 2016 Scholarship Recipients**

**NIPOMO, CA** – The Central Coast Greenhouse Growers Association (CCGGA) is proud to announce that they will award twenty scholarships to college and high school students this year. CCGGA member nurseries throughout Nipomo and Arroyo Grande opened their doors on April 16<sup>th</sup> to the general public to develop relationships with community members and to raise money for their scholarship fund. Each participating nursery proudly donated a portion of that day's sales to the CCGGA Scholarship Fund, which is open to all students that are currently enrolled in college for the following year. The Scholarship program is also available to students of employees who work at CCGGA member nurseries.

One of the organizations goals is to continue encouraging future generations to enter the horticulture field and to promote higher education within the families that work in the local nursery business.

## 2016 CCGGA scholarship recipients are:

Leonardo Ruiz Garcia - Currently attending Santa Maria High School

Jacob DeVor - Currently attending San Luis Obispo High School

Nelly Guerra - Currently attending Allan Hancock College

Andrew McHaney - Currently attending Cal Poly, SLO

Austin Conner Vernon - Currently attending Nipomo High School

Haleigh Jones - Currently attending Cal Poly, SLO

Dulce Espinoza-Valdez – Currently attending Santa Maria High School

Riley Nilsen - Currently attending Cal Poly, SLO

Kiana Hernandez - Currently attending Oxnard High School

AnnaSara Bridgeford - Currently attending San Luis Obispo High School

Abigail Maxwell - Currently attending San Benito High School

Alexandra Barrera - Cal Poly, SLO

Mary Hambly - Paso Robles High School

Ana Yeli Saucedo - Ernest Righetti High School

Edward Del Grosso - Cal Poly, Pomona

Alina Dzukola - San Luis Obispo High School

Levi Luis - Cuesta College

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Central Coast Greenhouse Growers Association (CCGGA) was founded to provide a cohesive organization that acts as a good neighbor within the local and regional community, providing information and education to neighbors; other community groups or businesses; and county, state, or federal agencies. The CCGGA acts on behalf of its members in resolving issues that may arise with the neighboring communities, as we work to coexist and enjoy the numerous benefits the Central Coast provides for both living and growing high-quality plants.