

CITY OF PALMDALE

MEDIA ALERT

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PHOTO & INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITY

WHAT: Harvest Celebration at the City of Palmdale's Q3 Community Garden

WHEN: **TOMORROW, Saturday, Sept. 12, 9:30 am**

WHERE: City of Palmdale's Q3 Community Garden, 503 E. Avenue Q-3, Palmdale (corner of 5th St. East and Avenue Q-3).

WHO: Palmdale Housing Coordinator Terri-Lei Wheeler; Community Gardeners

VISUALS: "Plot holders" harvesting the crops they planted earlier this year, including potatoes, corn, okra, carrots, cucumber and squash

BACKGROUND: Earlier this year, the City of Palmdale put out a call for interested "plot holders" to "adopt" sections of the City's Community Garden. It was absolutely free to participate. The City provided the land, some seeds, good planting soil, gardening tools, water and a volunteer master gardener to nurture and assist new gardeners. Plot holders provided their time and care for the crops.

The garden has blossomed providing a quality of life for young and senior. Growing vegetables and flowers, learning about good bugs and bad bugs, and generally enjoying the smell of dirt and the beauty of green plants has provided peace and quiet in the middle of a busy neighborhood.

INFO: Terri-Lei Wheeler – 661/267-5126