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## Carlsbad and Encinitas Teachers Awarded \$4,376 in Environmental Grants



Principal Leighangela Brady and Debbie Pinter with La Costa Heights Elementary, Director Don Omsted, Director David Kulchin, Vice President Elaine Sullivan, President Judy Hanson, June Honsberger with La Costa Canyon High School, Hank Stelzel with Paul Ecke Central Elementary, Thomas Baugh with Olivenhain Pioneer Elementary, Jodi Greenberger with El Camino Creek Elementary, Director Allan Juliussen and students of La Costa Heights Elementary.

The Leucadia Wastewater District (LWD) recently awarded funding to five local schools within LWD's service boundary through its Teacher Grant Program. These grants will help local teachers fund environmental programs ranging from growing vegetables used in school lunches, purchasing rain barrels, planting native plants for landscape and expanding school gardens. At its April 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, the LWD Board of Directors awarded the five grants to La Costa High School, El Camino Creek Elementary School,

La Costa Heights Elementary School, Olivenhain Pioneer Elementary, and Paul Ecke Central Elementary School. Collectively, the grants will help educate approximately 2,800 students. “We’re so pleased to see our local schools using this grant funding to support their environmental programs. LWD is proud to help support our local teachers and students in this third year of our program,” stated Paul Bushee, LWD General Manager.

For more information about this program, please contact LWD (760) 753-0155 or view LWD’s website [www.lwwd.org](http://www.lwwd.org).

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**Background:** Leucadia Wastewater District was formed in 1959 to collect, transport, and treat wastewater and provide recycled water for irrigation. The District provides service to about 60,000 customers in a 16-square-mile area that includes La Costa, Leucadia, and the Village Park area of Encinitas. The District manages of about 4 million gallons of treated wastewater daily.

The District’s operations feature the use of advanced technology. Pipelines are regularly video-inspected to assure that they are secure and leak free. Computer mapping systems and mathematical modeling are used to design and maintain facilities so that they work under all conditions, at all times.

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