



FACT SHEET

Urban Corps Campus Grand Opening

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Urban Corps' green campus includes a **Recycling Education & Community Outreach Center**; a soon-to-be LEED-certified **Community Training Room** with a sustainable vehicle wash; a **Rooftop Garden** featuring an 'edible wall,' drought-tolerant landscaping, native plants, a water capture system, and composting and vermiposting stations; as well as **SDG&E's first 'Sustainable Experience' kiosk**, where guests can learn about energy efficiency.



THE RECYCLING ECO CENTER: The ECO Center serves as a sustainability hub and training ground for Corpsmembers and citizens of San Diego County. Housed in a green, soon-to-be LEED certified building, the center focuses on educating and demonstrating sustainable technologies including: how recycling and conservation preserves resources, reduces pollution, prevents waste from entering landfills and employs youth. The center includes a variety of sustainable features including solar tubes and a recycling sorting machine to train Corpsmembers in conducting recycling audits. Business owners and students will be invited to learn how to create their own recycling programs.

ROOFTOP GARDEN: The Rooftop Garden will provide a hands-on learning space for urban gardening and water-efficient landscaping. Corpsmembers, students, community and business members will have the opportunity to learn about water conservation, healthy eating and growing their own food in an urban environment.

COMMUNITY TRAINING ROOM & SUSTAINABLE CAR WASH: Soon-to-be LEED certified Community Training Room with sustainable vehicle wash, features an SDG&E-owned rooftop solar system, which provides clean energy to the surrounding community. The Community Room is intended to provide a space for trainings and green job workshops for both Corpsmembers and the public. The adjacent vehicle wash,

needed for maintaining Urban Corps 50+ fleet of work vehicles, is designed for sustainability and function and include water reclamation technology, which filters soap and debris before being reused.

The Urban Corps campus was completed in three phases, totaling \$5.41 million.

Phase I: Renovation of Administrative Offices

Phase II: Recycling Education Center, Rooftop Garden, Offices & Equipment Storage Room

Phase III: Multi-purpose Community Room & Auditorium, Vehicle Wash and Maintenance Station

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