



# Hillview Greenhouse Life Center

In all these ways, the Hillview Greenhouse seeks to model sustainability. It is our hope not to be the over-arching solution to the problems of resource, community and individual depletion and decay, but one more example, one of many sources of inspiration, hope and life that have always been present in our community, responding and adapting to the challenges we face.

## Sustainability

To keep in existence; maintain. To support the spirits, vitality, or resolution of; encourage.

We grow organic produce using materials derived from our local environment

### Our Main Compost Materials:

- Brewer's yeast
- Coffee grounds
- Food waste
- City compost

We do our best to grow things of value from things thrown away. We take our own by products, and cycle them back into the compost to maintain and renew viable substrate for subsequent growth.

## Vermicompost

Hillview Greenhouse Life Center uses worms as workers. In order to put nutrients in plants we use worms to break down food and vegetable waste usable organic materials. HGLC has modeled sustainability in the use of discarded materials.

## Seasonal Growth

The green house is open all four seasons. In the winter Hillview Greenhouse Life Center (HGLC) grows cold weather crops, so that the green house uses minimal heat and reduces burned up fossil fuels.



## Fundraising

HGLC also uses sustainability in fundraising. One particular fundraiser was a fashion show utilizing old clothing and materials

to create new innovative designs was held to raise money for the greenhouse.

**HGLC uses discarded materials from local business that are used to maintain and update the green house.**

**These materials include:**

- Discarded wood products
- Discarded display cases
- Dry erase boards from a local businesses
- Discarded paint to improve the appearance of the facility