

## Quad Knopf Assists Lowell Community Garden

Fresno, CA - Quad Knopf, together with the City of Fresno, Caltrans, PG&E and the Fresno Metro Ministry officially broke ground on the long-awaited community garden for Fresno's Lowell area.

Quad Knopf's team of professional engineers and planners volunteered to provide the site plan design, conditional use permit, grading plan, irrigation plan, a site topographic survey and construction staking, as well as public outreach and involvement.

Located partially under an overpass in an area where the neighborhood is prone to poverty, crime and debilitated housing, the garden was designed as an initiative to bring the community together as well as providing fresh food for area residents.



Lowell's Community Garden is modeled after Fresno Metro Ministry's two other community gardens designed with raised garden beds compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act standards to accommodate not only those with special needs, but also the elderly members of the community. Planned in conjunction with the City of Fresno, Quad Knopf began with a preliminary site plan and topographic survey for design and construction immediately after Fresno's Public Works Department removed the asphalt in March of 2012. There are 30 gardener plots on the property where community members can plant on land owned by Caltrans which has been leased to the city for use as a community garden.

Volunteers from private partners, the public and the Fresno Metro Ministry have patiently waited two years for the go ahead to complete the project and collaborated together to provide the Lowell area with a community garden that will serve the local residents for many years to come.

"Quad Knopf is committed to creating healthier, more sustainable communities" said the President of Quad Knopf, Mike Knopf "We are grateful for the opportunity to give back to the communities where we live and work. This project not only coincides with many individual values here at Quad Knopf, but it is a reflection of our company culture as well".

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