

MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Recurring Donation Level:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Seed Member | \$50 (You will receive a Friends lapel pin and our everlasting gratitude) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Orchardist | \$51 to \$399 (You will receive the above items, along with a <i>Friends</i> t-shirt) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Rancher | \$400 to \$999 (You will receive the above items, along with two one-day parking passes) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pioneer | \$1,000 and above (You will receive the above items and two tickets to our Annual Fundraising Event) |

Other ways to give:

- Employer Match programs can double your impact; check with your employer.
- Honor Pledge to memorialize a special person or event with your donation.
- Estate Planning - Consider "planned gifts", which can provide you with tax benefits.

(The Cottle/Lester Family's generous gift of their ranch, preserving their way of life to educate others about Santa Clara Valley's rich agricultural history, is a fine example of planned giving.)

Donation: \$ _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

Checks payable to FOMCP should be mailed to:

Friends of Martial Cottle Park

1117 Branham Lane #318

San Jose, CA 95118

We thank you for your donation. Members will be honored annually on our webpage donor wall.
As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, your donation to Friends of Martial Cottle Park is tax deductible.
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Friends of Martial Cottle Park (FOMCP) inspires the community to care for, learn about and enjoy Martial Cottle Park and the agricultural heritage of Santa Clara Valley by promoting agricultural and environmental awareness and education programs and projects that support and preserve Martial Cottle Park.





HISTORY OF THE MARTIAL COTTLE FAMILY RANCH

Established by Edward Cottle in 1864 and continually maintained and farmed by his descendants until 2014, this land remained in agricultural production under one family for 150 years. Martial Cottle Park now celebrates our shared agricultural heritage and how the tradition of farming and sharing food continues to shape our landscape, people and history.

Your donation to Friends of Martial Cottle Park will support valuable park programs and projects that bring children to the park to learn about local history and life on a family ranch, educate visitors about the ecosystems of a working farm and improve the experience of park users...

POTENTIAL PROJECTS

HEDGEROWS

Hedgerows are plantings of native vegetation adjacent to farm fields. They add an important element to the farm's ecosystem by providing habitat for beneficial insects and native birds. This increases biodiversity and attracts pollinators as well as predators that eat pest insects.

LARGE-SCALE FARMER CUTOUTS

These yet-to-be-designed, large-scale signs of farmers, tractors or other agricultural imagery could grace the fields at Martial Cottle Park, greeting drivers and depicting the organic farm here today or hinting at the storied agricultural past of the ranch.

YOUTH PROGRAM FUND

Martial Cottle Park's school program for 2nd and 3rd graders is gaining in popularity. Additional funds for program fees for low-income schools or program materials could help more students participate and learn about life on the ranch.

MURAL

A mural along the park trail under Hwy 85 would provide a welcome park entrance and could tell the story of Martial Cottle Park's past, present and future. It could also be a great community-building project.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SHUTTLE

A new electric vehicle would be used to shuttle people around Martial Cottle Park's festival grounds during special events.

VISION

FOMCP supports and adopts the Park Vision of the Martial Cottle State Park General Plan and County Park Master Plan of 2014 as the Vision for our organization: The establishment of the Park will not only protect a rich piece of Santa Clara Valley's history and 287.54 acres of fertile farmland in perpetuity, but it will enhance the soil and land to provide a unique agricultural, recreational, and educational resource. The main uses of the Park will include agricultural production, habitat enhancement, recreational facilities and trails, and educational and interpretive programming related to the Park's cultural and natural resources. The Park will provide a range of educational and recreational opportunities that will be accessible to all users.

CORE VALUES

Values, the qualities that create the foundation upon which the vision and strategies for the County's regional park system are built, are characterized in five themes. These themes are:

- Quality of Life
- Demand for recreational opportunities
- Equitable access
- Optimal park Use
- Partnership

FOMCP supports these same values and in partnership with the County adopts these values for our organization.