



Let's Stand Together to
KEEP NIPOMO RURAL!



Standing for Real Affordable Housing, Critical Infrastructure, and Environmental Preservation

March 2024 Newsletter

NAC PUBLIC MEETING & POTLUCK - ToMORROW--Sunday March 3, 5pm
Blacklake Community Room 498 Colonial Place

The Nipomo Action Committee's (NAC) mission is to collaborate with all interested Nipomo and central coast stakeholders to maintain and enhance Nipomo's rural character and ensure appropriate and compatible growth consistent with the unique biodiversity and cultural heritage of this area now and for generations to come.

NAC was awarded a \$5000 grant to expand awareness, especially to young people, of the perils of the Dana Reserve mega-development.

NAC has allocated the grant funds to the Central Coast Student Coalition led by New Tech students Leila Zavala and Cesar Vasquez and organized by Ara Castello. [Ara Castello and Leila Zavala](#). (you can listen to an interview by Dave Congleton by clicking their names)

In response to the pressing social and environmental challenges in Nipomo and on the central coast, a dedicated Student Coalition aimed at fostering unprecedented environmental protections, sustainable, community-led development, and representative community engagement is being organized.

This Student Coalition, born of the Nipomo Oak woodlands, will serve as a catalyst for much-needed change and as an unwavering force of public **accountability to the people who will actually live with the decisions made in their name.**

By supporting the work of the Student Coalition, NAC not only reinforces its commitment to environmental protection and community-led development, it also strengthens connection and relationship with critical demographic groups that can and will make all the difference in the ongoing efforts to pass the [Community Map](#).

From Supervisor Jimmy Paulding's newsletter: Earlier this month, the **South County Advisory Council (SCAC)** held a special meeting to review and discuss a community generated alternative plan to the Dana Reserve housing project. With more than 150 people in attendance at Nipomo High School's Olympic Hall, SCAC voted 8-0 (with one abstention) to **recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve the community' plan instead of the developer's proposal....** Over the past four months, the community organizations identified by the Planning Commission hired a consultant and held community workshops in order to develop an alternative plan that addresses the significant, unavoidable adverse impacts that were identified in the Dana Reserve Specific Plan's EIR.

Fund Raiser for NAC

Tickets and \$ for the drawing for a beautiful, handmade lap quilt can be dropped in Sue's mailbox 749 Glenhaven, or turn in at the meeting March 3



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