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## **GIVE!**

A two-day sale of items donated by UC Santa Barbara students during campus move-out will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 18 and 19, in the parking lot of Embarcadero Hall, 935 Embarcadero del Norte in Isla Vista. Admission is free and the public is invited.

The sale is sponsored by GIVE!, a campus project developed to encourage students to donate and recycle unwanted items rather than discard them. Marking its 26<sup>th</sup> year, GIVE! is one of the first community projects of its kind in the country.

When students move out of residence halls and off-campus housing, GIVE! provides an easy way for them to donate unwanted items. For 10 days, from June 8 to June 17, GIVE! staff and volunteers collect, sort and price donations, ranging from furniture and electronics to household goods and clothing. Proceeds from the sale of the items benefit Isla Vista nonprofit organizations and community projects.

Items not sold will be donated to Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara counties.

Last year, GIVE! processed nearly 30 tons of goods, recycled or sold over 3,200 pounds of electronics, and collected some 1,500 canned and packaged food items for UCSB's A.S. Food Bank. With more than 240 volunteers working over 1,800 hours, GIVE! raised nearly \$28,000 for 13 nonprofits and community groups in Isla Vista.

Among the beneficiaries in 2015 were Isla Vista Elementary School's Science Camp Scholarship Fund; Isla Vista Park and Recreation District's Adopt-A-Block Program; Isla Vista Teen Center YMCA; Isla Vista Youth Projects; Optimist Club at UCSB; Breakfast Optimist Club of Goleta; ¡Viva el Arte de Santa Bárbara!/Isla Vista; Isla Vista Children's Soccer; Santa Barbara Student Housing Co-Op; and the Associated Students Food Bank.

Major sponsors of this year's GIVE! project include the Isla Vista Tenants Union; Isla Vista Community Relations Committee; Community Affairs Board's Community Volunteer Foundation; Residential Housing Association; and UCSB Housing and Residential Services.

Additional support is provided by Isla Vista Recreation & Park District; MarBorg Industries; Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara counties; the Santa Barbara Independent; the UCSB Community Housing Office; UCSB Office of Student Life; UCSB Parking Services; UCSB Physical Facilities; and countless community volunteers.

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The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.