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## **GIVE Sale 2019**

A two-day sale of items donated by UC Santa Barbara students will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 22 and 23, in the parking lot of Embarcadero Hall, 935 Embarcadero del Norte in Isla Vista. Admission is free and the public is invited.

The benefit sale is sponsored by GIVE, a campus project developed to encourage students to donate and recycle unwanted items rather than discard them. Now in its 29<sup>th</sup> year, it is one of the first community projects of its kind in the country.

“UCSB students want to protect the environment — they don’t want to just throw away their stuff when they move out of their apartments and campus residence halls,” said Sue Dumm, former volunteer coordinator at UC Santa Barbara. “Students want a green, zero waste move-out and want to give back, to their local community.”

GIVE accepts unwanted and reusable clothing, books, furniture, household furnishings, kitchenware, electronics, canned and packaged foods and other miscellaneous items during Isla Vista and UC Santa Barbara’s annual move-out period in June. Each year, over 100 volunteers from the campus and the local community receive, organize and sort all donations in preparation for the sale. All proceeds from the sale of the items benefit Isla Vista nonprofit organizations and community projects.

Last year, over 170 volunteers donated 1,251 hours to receive and process more than 30 tons of donated goods that were diverted from landfill. GIVE donated 2,000 pounds of packaged food to the Associated Students Food Bank, sold or recycled nearly 4,000 pounds of electronics and distributed over \$30,000 to 12 local programs.

In addition to the A.S. Food Bank, beneficiaries in 2018 included the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District's Adopt-a-Block Program and the Children's Camping Trip; the Isla Vista Elementary School's Science Camp Scholarship Fund; the Isla Vista Initiatives Fund; the St. George Youth Center and the Isla Vista Teen Student Athlete Fund; the Isla Vista Youth Projects; the Optimist Club at UCSB; Santa Barbara Soccer; and St. Michael's and All Angels Church.

Unsold items were donated to the Goodwill Industries of Santa Barbara and Ventura.

"The GIVE project is an amazing opportunity to give, buy and give again," said former GIVE student coordinator Melissa Albarenga "We're helping the environment, as well as giving back to our Isla Vista community. I hope everyone wants to be a part of this awesome project, whether it is by donating, volunteering or benefiting from the cheap prices at the GIVE sale."

Among the major sponsors of this year's GIVE sale are the A.S. Community Affairs Board; A.S. Finance and Business Committee; the Isla Vista Community Relations Committee; the Coastal Fund; the Isla Vista Tenants Union; UC Santa Barbara Housing, Dining, and Auxiliary Enterprises; the Community Volunteer Foundation; and the Zero Waste Committee.

Additional support is provided by MarBorg Industries; Goodwill Industries; the Santa Barbara Independent; UC Santa Barbara departments and units, including the Community Housing Office, the Office of Student Life, Parking and Transportation Services and Physical Facilities; and community volunteers.

More information about the event can be found at [www.sa.ucsb.edu/give-iv](http://www.sa.ucsb.edu/give-iv). Questions may be directed to Viviana Marsano at [viviana.marsano@sa.ucsb.edu](mailto:viviana.marsano@sa.ucsb.edu).

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