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ALBA receives grants to benefit work

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The Agriculture and Land-Based Training Association in Salinas was recently awarded various grants to benefit its educational work with aspiring farmers, youth and families on the Central Coast.

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation awarded \$50,000 to support "Food, Land and Water: Connecting Families with Conservation," which will expand youth-focused environmental education programs at ALBA.

AT&T Pebble Beach Charities and the Harden Foundation awarded \$25,000 and \$10,000, respectively, for business and agronomic education reaching people with limited access to training, technical assistance and small business opportunities.

Farm Aid made a grant of \$5,000 to support leadership development among beginning and minority farmers to develop skills for engaging public officials and the media.

ALBA is a nonprofit creating opportunities for beginning and limited-resource farmers with two farm-based business incubators in Salinas and Watsonville.

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