



## KATY TANG

### Front Yard Ambassadors Program Fact Sheet

The Front Yard Ambassadors Program gives Sunset District residents the opportunity transform their front yards into vibrant, ecologically friendly and easy to maintain spaces in order to accomplish the following:

- Change the pedestrian experience and demonstrate neighborhood pride
- Provide permeable surface to take pressure off our combined sewer system and recharge our underground aquifer
- Educate the community about what plant species are suited to our microclimate
- Build relationships with neighbors and encourage the community to work together

#### **How do I apply?**

Apply by submitting an application, answers to the supplemental questionnaire and photos of your front yard. You must ensure that a minimum of five residences on your block also submit an application to be considered for the program. The application can be found on our website at [www.sfbos.org/tang](http://www.sfbos.org/tang) under the “Front Yard Ambassadors Program” tab.

#### **What is the cost?**

Residents chosen for the program will pay a nominal permit fee, depending on how many residents apply. Permit fees can range from \$182 - \$245.

#### **How do I get my neighbors to participate?**

This is a great time to meet your neighbors! Knock on their door and find out if they are interested. You must have a minimum of five neighbors on your block to apply.

#### **Do I have to remove concrete?**

Yes. Removing concrete has the public benefit of taking pressure off our combined sewer system by allowing water to percolate into the ground. If there is no space to remove concrete from the yard adjacent to your home, you are not eligible to participate.

#### **Who maintains the yard after installation?**

Program participants will sign a Letter of Agreement that they will maintain the yard as long as they reside at their current address. We hope that neighbors will get together for a work day each year to help each other. Additional support will be provided by Friends of the Urban Forest.

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**What types of plants and landscaping will be installed?**

Once chosen, residents will be able to sit down with a professional to discuss their ideas. All landscaping will be low maintenance, drought tolerant, and able to live in our coastal conditions.

**If I apply, but decide not to participate after selected, what happens?**

If you drop out of the program after selected and as a result your block would only have four houses, your entire block will have to re-apply to the program at another time. It is best you are sure that you want to participate before you apply. If you have questions, feel free to contact our office.

Other questions can be directed to our office at (415) 554-7460.