



The Bay Area's goat grazing non-profit based in San Francisco.

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Who we are: City Grazing is a San Francisco-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit serving the greater Bay Area with a vision of community building and a mission of sustainable land management and fire risk reduction through goat grazing. We actively engage with local schools, universities, community organizations, municipalities, councils, fire departments, residents, businesses, and homeowners' associations to create fire safety and healthy local land management through goat grazing. We promote awareness of carbon sequestration, community health, and planetary atmospheric health. In existence since 2010, we became a nonprofit in 2017, using our fee-for-service revenue to help us manifest our mission and expand our impact.

Serving land, animals, and air quality while we prevent fires: Sustainable land management using goat grazing provides fire hazard reduction, healthy topsoil, carbon sequestration, invasive vegetation control, native plant support, and community building. Managed annual grazing is an effective, ecologically sound way to minimize fire hazard and invasive vegetation while promoting the health of the soil and native perennial species. As part of our mission, City Grazing welcomes and rehabilitates goats in need of a new home. We prioritize adopting goats from people who are no longer able to provide care based on economic hardship and/or retirement age, and we also adopt dairy goats no longer able to produce milk, and male kids born into the dairy industry who would otherwise go to meat production.

Serving the greater community: Urban goat grazing brings the healing power of nature to our cities, removing fire hazards, creating healthy topsoil, supporting native plant life, fighting invasive weeds, and taking CO₂ out of the air and storing it in the ground. This gives all of us hope, warms our hearts, and brings our communities together. As we work around the city, City Grazing teaches about animal husbandry and ecological stewardship of urban land. We reach many urban residents, adults and children, who otherwise have little access to animals. The soothing, positive, transformational effect is immediately apparent, and is a big part of why we were inspired to make our latest program a reality, our new At-Risk Youth Education - EcoJobs Partnership.

Providing direct service to disadvantaged youth: We partner with the SF Conservation Corps and the San Francisco Sheriff's Department in serving at-risk youth enrolled in the SFCC EcoJobs program, teaching young adults (18-24 years of age) and youth (15-18) what working with goats as a method of sustainable land management looks like. Corps members experience practical, boots on the ground goat care, fence-setting, and site maintenance and learn the larger strategic perspective of grazing's environmental and fire-hazard reduction benefits. Connection with the goats fosters a sense of well-being and accomplishment and creates an almost effortless opportunity for personal growth and environmental education. Given the vitally important environmental benefits of grazing and the anticipated growth of the grazing industry in support of fire prevention and carbon sequestration over the next five years, City Grazing brings a uniquely inspiring new dimension to the EcoJobs program.