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Central Garden & Pet Releases 2022/2023 Impact Report

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WALNUT CREEK, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Central Garden & Pet Company (NASDAQ: CENT) (NASDAQ: CENTA) ("Central"), a market leader in the pet and garden industries, released its Impact Report for the fiscal years 2022 and 2023 underscoring the company's commitment to protecting the planet, cultivating its communities and empowering its employees. The report highlights Central's work to advance the company's environmental, social and governance initiatives to support the growth and success of its business.

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"Since the start of our journey to make a difference and drive positive change,

Central has made meaningful strides," said Niko Lahanas, Chief Executive Officer of Central Garden & Pet. "We believe that driving corporate sustainability is not only imperative to our future, but integral to our current operations. As such, we have begun embedding sustainability into our daily operations and tracking the progress towards our sustainability goals."

Over the last few years, Central has invested in key areas across the enterprise to propel this important work forward and advance its commitment to becoming a more sustainable company.

Highlights of progress described in the report include:

- 33 million pounds of recycled or reused materials incorporated into Kaytee Small Animal bedding
- 100 million gallons of water use avoided through utilizing drip irrigation systems at outdoor perennial farms compared to using traditional sprinkler irrigation
- 19 metric tons of greenhouse gases saved by compressing Wee Wee® training pads resulting in 12% less container space
- \$1.5 million in monetary and product donations to communities and charitable organizations, including Habitat for Humanity, Best Friends and local schools and hospitals across the country
- 22% reduction in safety incidents in fiscal 2022 and 20% in fiscal 2023 due to improved

safety measures

To view the 2022/2023 Impact Report and learn more about the Central's beliefs, actions and sustainability progress, please visit <https://ir.central.com/centralimpact>

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