

Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association

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IMPOSTER ENGAGED IN ILLEGAL FRAUDULENT SCHEME TO FALSELY SELL VENDOR BOOTHS FOR CANCELLED 2021 GARDEN GROVE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Garden Grove, CA (April 12, 2021) – Patrick "Pat" Catlin, President of the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association (GGSFA) announced today: "There is a imposter presently engaged in an illegal fraudulent scheme to sell False Vendor Booths to our cancelled in-person 2021 Garden Grove Strawberry Festival, which will not be rescheduled this year due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. We have reported this criminal activity to the Garden Grove Police Department."

Catlin continued, "It has come to the GGSFA's attention that a deceitful individual, not related to the GGSF, is currently selling our Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Vendor Booths for a 'rescheduled festival' for the dates of June 19 and 20, 2021. THIS IS A SCAM and 100% false."

If you, or anyone you know, have come in contact with this individual who is asking victims to pay an \$80 vendor booth fee, or if you may have any other information that may help with the investigation leading to the arrest and conviction of this perpetrator, please report it immediately to the Garden Grove Police Department by calling 714.741.5704. For official information about the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival, please visit the website https://strawberryfestival.org/

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The Garden Grove Strawberry Festival is an annual 501(c)(3) non-profit Admission Free community event produced by the GGSFA, a dedicated volunteer group, which has raised more than \$7 million for various charities since its inception in 1958. **To learn more and for updates, please visit,** https://strawberryfestival.org/

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