Located in south Fontana at the foot of the Jurupa Hills, The Mary Vagle Museum and Nature Center is a bustling natural oasis thriving within an urban landscape. Through an attractive network of educational facilities, native plantings, exhibition areas, and a nature trail that winds around a pond, visitors learn about local plants, animals, and geology.

In January of 2011, the Superintendent of Public works at the City of Fontana, Erik Garwick, renovated the existing turf of this impressive and much loved facility for surrounding Fontana residents. He needed a kid-friendly turf that would stand up to heavy foot traffic, and the natural behaviors of ducks and other wildlife.

After a brief evaluation of the site with a Stover Turf Consultant, Garwick decided to use Stover’s signature blend of Triple Crown tall fescue. Triple Crown exhibits outstanding dark green color and fine texture with improved mowability, and is one of the most drought and wear tolerant of cool season grasses. Garwick used a seed ratio of 12 pounds per 1000 square feet, lightly top dressing after application. Garwick placed irrigation on a timer and set it to water twice daily for 15 minutes ensuring a moist environment for the newly germinating seedlings.

“The seed took approximately two weeks to begin germination and the area filled in with a lush, dark green color in about 6 weeks. I have been extremely impressed with the density and color of Stover Seed’s Triple Crown blend, and it has exceeded my expectations.”

– Erik Garwick, Superintendent, Public Works, City of Fontana, CA

The ingredients used in Triple Crown are exclusively distributed by Stover Seed and represent the latest improvements in turf grass breeding and development. The blend provides the park with low-maintenance, year-round color.