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FormLA Landscaping's design creates a landscape environment for your home that is safe, healthy, easy-to-maintain, and sustainable. Designed to complement Santa Monica's varied styles of architecture and characters of its neighborhoods, this landscape plan has the versatility to work well for your home and achieve your specific goals.

The diverse plant palette brings beauty and vibrancy, whether in shade or full-sun environments and the variety of offerings provides interest for every time of year. For all its richness and complexity, the design remains easy to implement.

Working with both California natives and California-friendly Mediterranean plant materials, this design achieves a water wise result. Our efficient subsurface, low volume irrigation design minimizes water waste and run-off and directs water to plant roots. This combination saves you money on water and maintenance while promoting a healthier, thriving garden.

Clean, safe permeable concrete provides an inviting and warm entrance to your home. The large square pavers can also be overlaid with slate, flagstone or substituted with gravel or decomposed granite, tailoring the entry walkway to echo the architectural style of your home. A small sitting area creates a neighborly introduction to your home while retaining a sense of privacy with the surrounding plants.

Plant choices in this design work well with or without a shade tree, offering ample space for existing roots to grow and reducing plant competition by using less thirsty plants. The front yard design can also be adapted for use in a back yard to create continuity throughout the entire landscape. In addition to small specimen plants that provide focal points in key locations in the front, there is also room for placement of art, a small water feature or pottery to add a special focal point to your front yard space.

While landscaping challenges can be daunting, this design provides you with a variety of ways to transform your front or back yards into a safe, healthy, easy-to-maintain, and sustainable space.