

Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration and Community Stewardship Grants 2016 Grant Awards

Backyard Habitat Certification - Clackamas County Expansion

Recipient: Audubon Society of Portland and Columbia Land Trust

Grant Amount: \$12,000

Partners: Clackamas Soil & Water Conservation District, Clackamas County Water Environment Services, City of Milwaukie, City of West Linn, North Clackamas Urban Watersheds Council, Johnson Creek Watershed Council, Oak Lodge Sanitary District

This project will expand the Backyard Habitat Certification Program to new areas of urban and sub-urban Clackamas County.

Bee Stewards in Wilsonville

Recipient: City of Wilsonville

Grant Amount: \$22,662

Partners: Northwest Center for Alternatives to Pesticides (NCAP), West Linn-Wilsonville School District (CREST), Friends of Trees, Xerces Society, Habitat Landscape Design, Northwest Youth Corps, Oregon State University (North Willamette Research-Extension Center)

The City of Wilsonville will see an expanded pollinator habitat with increased student education, community awareness and stewardship on private lands. The project will also safeguard pollinator health by enacting sustainable pest solutions on City lands.

A Green Community Plaza for Hillsboro's M&M Swap Meet

Recipient: Depave

Grant Amount: \$30,000

Partners: M&M Swap Meet Marketplace, Clean Water Services, City of Hillsboro, Hillsboro Downtown Partnership

Depave plans to transform the M&M Swap Meet property from grey to green by engaging community members in urban re-greening activities involving pavement removal, rain garden creation, native plant installation, and related neighborhood greenspace elements.

Increased Tree Shading for the Johnson Creek Watershed

Recipient: Johnson Creek Watershed Council

Grant Amount: \$30,000

Partners: Verde, Wisdom of the Elders, African Youth and Community Organization (AYCO), multiple committed landowners

Johnson Creek Watershed Council will work with private landowners in the Johnson Creek watershed to provide critical shade to watershed streams by employing workforce training crews from communities of color to plant native trees and shrubs.

Rinearson Creek Stewardship Initiative

Recipient: North Clackamas Urban Watersheds Council

Grant Amount: \$22,811

Partners: North Clackamas Urban Watershed Council, Dig In Community, Rex Putnam High School

The North Clackamas Urban Watershed Council and Dig In Community are joining forces with community members, schools and agencies to expand and improve restoration outcomes and environmental education to the youth of the Rinearson watershed.

Pollinator Parkways

Recipient: Pollinator Parkways

Grant Amount: \$3,300

Partners: The City Repair Project, Bridgeport United Church of Christ, Creative Science School

Pollinator Parkways creates urban pollinator habitat and eliminates pesticide use by replacing lawn/ornamentals/invasive plants with native plants of staggered bloom times.

Lents Conservation Partnership

Recipient: ROSE Community Development

Grant Amount: \$35,000

Partners: Green Lents, Portland Parks and Recreation, Portland State University

The Lents Conservation Partnership expands and enhances pollinator habitat restoration and connectivity in the Lents portion of the Johnson Creek watershed. The program will use existing conservation projects to increase youth engagement and community stewardship.

Creating Community Natural Area Stewardship

Recipient: West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Partners: West Willamette Restoration Partnership, Tryon Creek Watershed Council, SW Watershed Resource Center, Friends of Terwilliger, Friends of Marquam, Portland Parks and Recreation, City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services, Backyard Habitat Certification Program.

This project will build upon a successful engagement program. Tools are designed for the community to engage residents around natural area stewardship.