

Seattle-area Agencies or Organizations That Can Provide Expertise, Referrals, Funding, Plants, or Labor for a School Natural Landscaping Project

- **Washington Native Plant Society Stewardship Program**

(206) 527-3210

Trains “stewards” and maintains lists of persons who have undergone 10 hour training program. These stewards are required to give back 100 hours of community service. Send a message about your school-based natural landscaping project, and the organization will contact its list of stewards to see if any are interested in giving their hours to help with your project.

- **Cindy Young, King County Dept. of Natural Resources Native Plant Salvage Program**

(206) 296-8065

Consults on King County-sponsored restoration projects. Has limited number and types of native plants available for projects that are not King County-sponsored. Offers naturescaping training workshops for homeowners. Attendees at each workshop have the opportunity to salvage native plants for their project from a designated salvage site.

- **Greg Rabourn, King County Dept. of Natural Resources--Native Plant Salvage Program**

Public Involvement

(206) 296-6519 (to order publication); (206) 296-1923 (other information or referrals)

Can make referrals to experts who can help on school ground projects. Offer workshops (see above) Has publication, *Grow Your Own Native Landscape: A Guide to Identifying and Propagating and Landscaping with Native Plants* (\$7.50 ppd, \$5.00 if picked up). See “Resources on Native Plants of the Northwest and Natural Landscaping/Habitat Restoration” section of this packet for mailing address and ordering information. Has Native Plant Nursery List (Web://splash.metrokc.gov/wlr/pi/npnursery.htm).

- **Brandy Reed (district coordinator) or Jeremy Bell (restoration ecologist)**

King County Conservation District

(206) 764-3410 x 120 (Brandy) or x 129 (Jeremy)

Mission is to promote restoration of lands in King County. Do trainings for Washington Native Plant Society stewards. Sell plants from their (Renton, WA) native plant nursery, or people can volunteer at the nursery and earn 7 plants for each hour of time spent working. No pesticides or herbicides are used at the nursery. Offer some free technical assistance to public agencies (including schools) and/or contract assistance for ongoing consulting on bigger restoration projects.

- **David McDonald and Liz Fikejs, Resource Conservation Planners**

Seattle Public Utilities

(206) 684-7650 (David), (206) 615-0516 (Liz)

Can offer information, consultation, or referrals on school natural landscaping projects. Also have salmon-friendly gardening brochure and *Ecologically Sound Lawn Care for the Pacific Northwest* publication.

- **Linda Chalker-Scott, Associate Professor, Environmental Horticulture Program**

Box 354115, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195; (206) 685-2595

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Is coordinating an ongoing natural landscaping project at Garfield H.S. involving UW and Garfield students. Helped organize the first meeting (in August 2000) of Sustainable Community Landscape (SCL) Consortium, with representatives from many Seattle-area organizations. The consortium plans to work to promote sustainable landscaping projects for Seattle-area K-12 schools.

- **Roger Dane, Seattle Dept. of Parks and Recreation “Gray to Green” Program**
(206) 684-7594

Offers funding for eligible groups seeking to make site improvements to schoolgrounds, including projects to restore vegetation and “green up” school landscapes. Partners with Seattle Dept. of Neighborhoods and Seattle School District .

- **Seattle Department of Neighborhoods, Neighborhood Matching Fund Program**
(206) 684-0464

Web://www.cityofseattle.net/don/basic.htm; E-mail: bernie.matsuno@ci.seattle.wa.us

Provide matching funds for neighborhood-initiated improvement projects, including landscaping or environmental restoration projects.

- **Don Marshall, Lake Washington Technical College (Kirkland, WA)**
Environmental Horticulture Program
(425) 739-8356

May have students willing to help on natural landscaping projects. Willing to offer referrals, some technical assistance.

- **Cheryl Dixon, National Wildlife Federation Schoolyard Habitat Stewards Program**
(206) 285-8707

Provides training via Schoolyard Habitat Stewards program. Nominate someone from your school to take the 40 hour training and become a steward for your project.

- **Lauren Braden, Advocate for Wildlife Habitat, Seattle Audubon Society**
Gardening for Life Program
(206) 523-8243 x 14

Offer naturescaping training workshops. Promote landscaping with diversity of native plants, and no use of biocides (including insecticides or herbicides). Have native plant lists for Seattle-area. Will soon have a program to help homeowners with naturescaping projects.

- **Starflower Foundation, (206) 789-0263**

Small foundation assists with restoration of Northwest native landscapes on public lands. Not able to take on new projects at this time (Oct. 2000), but may be able to offer suggestions, referrals.

- **EarthCorps/Cascadia Quest, (206) 322-9296**

Can contract with this group for labor for restoration projects.

- **The Seattle Green Gardening Program, (206) 547-7561**

May be able to offer referrals to horticulturists, restoration ecologists, or landscape architects who are knowledgeable about native plants and natural landscaping.

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