

King Conservation District-Seattle Community Partnership Grant Program

2014 Funded Projects

The King Conservation District-Seattle Community Partnership Grant Program is a joint effort to support projects that achieve both KCD and City of Seattle priorities for natural resource improvement. Program priorities include education and outreach, capacity building, pilot and demonstration projects, and direct improvement of natural resources. Funding comes from per parcel rates and charges paid by Seattle property owners for the King Conservation District.

In 2014 KCD-Seattle Community Grants Program awarded \$371,976 in grants to 12 organizations and agencies. These projects leverage more than \$1,200,000 in other funds. Below is a list of the funded organizations with a brief description of their projects:

[City of Seattle, Parks & Recreation](#) - Building Capacity for Equity in Environmental Education - \$16,000

Increase environmental education opportunities in underserved communities by collaborating with community-based organizations to develop accessible environmental education programming. For more information contact Justin Hellier, justin.hellier@seattle.gov, 206-386-4169.

[Earth Corps](#) - Kincaid Ravine Restoration Project - \$38,696

Continue engaging the community in successful restoration efforts through native plantings and invasive plant removal while addressing site safety and accessibility. For more information contact Kym Foley, kym@earthcorps.org, 206-322-9296.

[Environmental Coalition of South Seattle](#) - Greening Community Centers - \$45,000

Design, build and maintain a green stormwater infrastructure demonstration project that serves as an outdoor learning space and a community amenity at the Salvation Army Community Center in White Center. For more information contact Stephen Reilly, stephen@ecoss.org, 206-767-0432.

[Leschi Community Council](#) - Frink Park Wetland Restoration - \$45,000

Restore two degraded wetlands and their buffers in partnership with the Friends of Frink Park to reduce invasive species, increase native plant and wildlife habitat. For more information contact Darrell Howe, dhowe@artcycled.com, 206-325-4295.

[Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust](#) - Discovery Park Capehart Restoration Project - \$35,000

Expand restoration area by an additional 7.4 acres improving species diversity, removing invasive species, enhancing forest structure and function, increasing conifer canopy cover, and engaging the public in stewardship activities. For more information contact Mackenzie Dolstad, mackenzie.dolstad@mtsgreenway.org, 206-382-5565 X 29.

[Seattle Aquarium](#) - Beach Naturalist Program - \$5,775

Provide summer outreach program for underserved students to raise awareness about local beaches,

waterways, and intertidal ecosystems near their schools through in-class and field trip sessions. For more information contact Janice Mathisen, j.mathisen@seattleaquarium.org, 206-386-4365.

[Seattle Parks Foundation - Rainier Beach Urban Farm Capital Expansion](#) - \$30,000

Install native plantings and green infrastructure components in new areas on the farm as part of the larger capital expansion of facilities to be made through March 2015 that will support the expansion of programmatic offerings by Seattle Tilth. For more information contact Becca Aue, becca@seattleparksfoundation.org, 206-332-9900 X 12.

[Seattle Parks Foundation - Friends of Lewis Park](#) - Lewis Park Natural Area Restoration - \$40,000

Implement the next phase of Lewis Park Natural Area restoration with native plants, soil amendments, and a native plant demonstration bed while expanding outreach capacity. For more information contact Shava Lawson, shava@seattleparksfoundation.org, 206-332-9900 X 19.

[Seattle Tilth Farm Works](#) - Growing Sustainable Farmers & Farms - \$50,000

Support farm incubator program located in Auburn where farmers receive small farm business training, hands-on experience and awareness of best management practices and more for refugees, immigrants, and limited-resource individuals. For more information contact Matthew McDermott, matthewmcdermott@seattletilth.org, 253-737-5833.

[Solid Ground Lettuce Link Program](#) - Lost Fork of Hamm Creek Stewardship: Community Engagement and Education at Marra Farm - \$9,200

Continue restoration, ongoing maintenance and increased community engagement at Hamm Creek that runs by Marra Farm in South Park. For more information contact Nate Moxley, natem@solid-ground.org, 206-694-6754.

[Sustainable Seattle - Depave the Duwamish](#) - \$25,000

Reduce impervious surfaces in partnership with private landowners and the broader community to introduce green infrastructure and tree canopy. For more information contact Terri Butler, terri@sustainableseattle.org, 206-622-3522.

[YMCA of Greater Seattle](#) - Youth in Action: Stewardship, Education & Leadership - \$32,305

Provide consistent and dependable adult support for student leaders through an 18-month program to conduct science-based restoration projects and environmental awareness-building campaigns in schools. For more information contact Geoff Eseltine, geseltine@seattleyymca.org, 206-839-8913.