Environmental Initiatives Grant Program Fall 2007 – Grant Recipients

Eleven environmentally based projects and programs are going ahead in 2007 thanks to City of St. Albert's grants of up to \$5,000 in the fall 2007 Environmental Initiatives Grant Program. The Environmental Initiatives Grant Program was made possible by funding received from City of St. Albert to assist community groups in defraying costs associated with environmental projects and programs that are supportive of the City of St. Albert's environmental policy, plans, or practices.

Fall 2007 Highlights of the Environmental Stewardship Grant Program:

- 11 applications approved
- Grants awarded ranged from \$200 to \$3,000 for each project
- Total grant amount of \$14,080
- Applications and grant recipients were from 7 community schools and 4 community groups.

To be *eligible applicants* had to be a federally or provincially registered non-profit society or charitable organization operating in St. Albert; a school located in St. Albert; or a community group of two or more St. Albert citizens who have come together for the purpose of undertaking an eligible project.

The *eligible project* had to demonstrate environmental benefits or improvements and is consistent with City policies, and may include:

- 1. community environmental education projects;
- 2. open space and natural area enhancement projects;
- 3. natural spaces reclamation projects;
- 4. waste reduction projects:
- 5. wildlife or biodiversity-oriented projects;
- 6. land, air and/or water quality preservation and/or enhancement;
- 7. environmental demonstration projects using innovative technologies;
- 8. environmental projects that demonstrate local, regional or provincial leadership;
- 9. environmental communications and public awareness facilitation projects;
- 10. environmental monitoring or inventory projects; or
- 11. other environmental projects in keeping with City policies.

Congratulations to the following recipients!

Organization/Group	Project	Grant Amount
Bertha Kennedy Catholic	Seeds to Salad – Growing food for	\$200
Community School	learning	
Ronald Harvey Elementary School	Discovery Garden Club	\$800
Wild Rose Elementary School	Worm composter and garden plots	\$200
E. S. Gish School	Outdoor classroom	\$2,000
Ecole Father Jan	Aquatic Studies Program	\$300
Neil M. Ross Elementary School	Seeds to Salad – Growing food for	\$280
-	learning	
St. Albert Catholic High School	Digital Probing Technology	\$2,950
Leave Your Roots in St. Albert	Community Reforestation Project	\$2,500
Big Lake Environment Support	Summer Nature Program	\$3,000
Society (BLESS)	_	
St. Albert Christmas Bird Count	Local bird monitoring program	\$350
Rivers Edge Enhancement Project	Sturgeon Point Biodiversity	\$1,500
(REEP)	Improvement	