

# Hometown Forests Package

**Action Kit includes:** 

- **Timelines**
- Inkind Donations
- *▶* Grants
- Corporate Donations
- Form Letters
- Press Releases
- Project Planner Forms
- ✤ Example Speeches
- » Resources
- » and much, much more...

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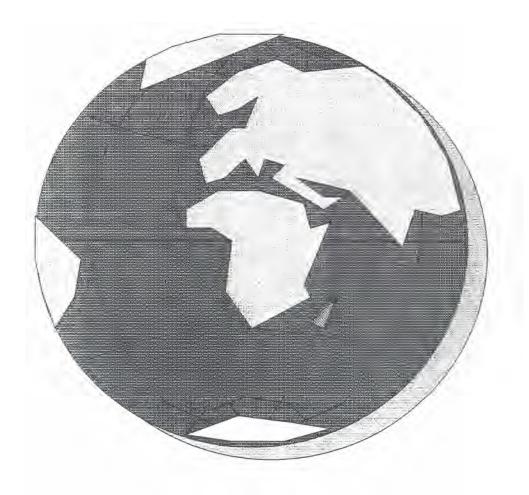
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Congratulations, you have completed the first step. You have become empowered to take action on behalf of Mother Earth. By taking this action kit and beginning to read the enclosed information, the hardest step has been overcome. Now remember you are not alone. If at any time you need help, pick up the phone and call *Partners for the* Planet hotline 800-473-0263. Good luck!



## **1st Step:** Decide upon the project that you wish to carry out. Look

around the area you live in and Forests could be helpful in your be looking for what your town lacking. If your town already amount of trees, but your local



see if Hometown town. You should needs or is has an abundant lake is polluted,

you should work on organizing an ongoing clean up for your lake.

## **2nd Step:** The bigger the project you choose, the more people you will

need to help. Ask a parent, teacher, or any dependable adult to support you in pursuing your project. Adults are great resources in

that which you found

power!

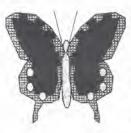
they have more experience than kids could help save you from some mistakes might make without them. After you have your adult support, it's time for lots of kid Recruit friends, siblings, and classmates

who hold the same interest as you do in helping the community and Earth. Now that you have a project and the people to make it happen, nothing can stop you.

## **3rd Step:** Depending upon the size of your project will increase or

decrease the amount of funding you will need. Securing money is

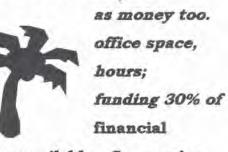
usually the hardest task, dampen your spirit. You advantages, because you trying to accomplish There are many different



but do not let this have a couple of great are a kid and you're something positive. ways of raising money.

Financial contributions can come in two different forms, either inkind or cash. Inkind contributions are donations of resources, services, time, and products. These donations can range from volunteer hours to free office space. Inkind donations are very important when soliciting monetary funds. Example: Kids F.A.C.E., a youth environmental organization has one source of cash revenue, Walmart. In the fall of 1994 Walmart became concerned that they were the only source of funding. Kids F.A.C.E. was in danger of losing all money contributed from Walmart. It was mentioned to

Kids F.A.C.E. that inkind counts After counting up their donated free printing, and volunteers Walmart's contribution was only their budget. When asking for



support, it is important to keep all options available. Companies like to see how the money will be used and how it will benefit them and their image. If people or corporations cannot give money, they might be able to give something else. For example if you ask for money from a company and they cannot contribute that, maybe they can do your printing for free. Remember always take whatever anyone offers you. Soliciting money can be done in many ways. Groups or individuals can apply for grants which require proposals outlining your project or program. Asking local businesses for money is usually successful because it is important for businesses to support their hometowns. And there is always the option of having fundraisers.

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## 4th Step: If your project involves the changing or beautifying of public or

private property, permission is needed. Each city's government

structure varies address your authority. Call number for City government call the City situation and if will refer you to someone who can.



and you want to make sure to requests to the appropriate the general information Hall which is listed in the pages of any phone book or Manager. Explain your they cannot help you, they

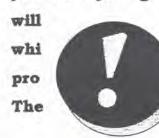
## 5th Step: If you are planning to instate Arbor

Day or Earth Day in your town, you should get a proclamation from City Council. All you do is ask City Council to proclaim a day as Arbor or Earth Day and suggest how your group might want the wording done. When City Council issues a proclamation, that sets aside a specific day for the celebration of any important event.



**6th Step:** An event will only be as good as it is planned. The more time

you allow your group to prepare for a project the more organized it

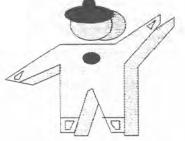


be. We have included some helpful forms ch will help you prepare for your event. The ject planner is what you should fill out first. n a timeline should be next. The tool checklist

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is meant for the actual event so you can keep track of your equipment. Everything you need to know to prepare for your project is included in these forms.

- **7th Step:** The best avenue in getting support and volunteers for your project is the media. Does your town have a local newspaper or a community cable channel? If you do, you might want see if the newspaper could do an article on your event or project or see if your community cable station will come out and film the event. The more places your project is publicized, the better your project will look to sponsors. Sample press releases are included and it is important to give your sponsors positive publicity as well.
- 8th Step: Now that you have had a successful event, it is important to thank the people who made it happen. Write thank you letters to every person who contributed anything at all to your project. This will be helpful in the future if you ask the same people to donate their time or resources because they will feel appreciated.
- **9th Step:** If at any time you find yourself needing more information or direction on your project, there are endless resources out there. Included in this package are brochures on various tree subjects and composting. There also is a list of environmental books and groups included.



**TREE MUSKETEERS Hometown Forest Package** 

## **Example of our Hometown Forest Grant**

## **HOMETOWN FORESTS**

A comprehensive, youth led hometown forestry program will be developed by Youth Directors of TREE MUSKETEERS with support of adult partners. The evolving community forestry package, by and for kids, will provide replicability in cities and neighborhoods nationwide.

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of the program is to develop a technically accurate community forestry package produced by kids and for kids. The model program will be comprehensive in addressing issues surrounding the urban forest. The packaged product will therefore present a broad menu of activities from which young citizens may select according to community needs and available resources. The end result will be user-friendly, detailed information designed to put kids into action in America's hometowns.

#### THE PACKAGE

The package will contain a 30 minute documentary that will chronicle the process performed by real live kids from start to finish. Four 10 minute training tapes will be produced on tree planting, tree care, business tips, and how to get volunteers and financial partners involved.

Literature will be published on the benefits, planting, and care of trees. Useful tools such as copies of City Council speeches, letters to businesses for support, news releases, equipment checklists, timelines, and other how-to help will be included. An Arbor Day celebration kit will also be part of the package.

Though Hometown Forests will be designed for kids, consultation with adult partners will ensure it further serves needs of cities, utilities, nonprofits, and urban forestry professionals with facilitation of productive methods to work with young people.

#### DISSEMINATION

Information will go into use immediately as each piece is developed with TREE MUSKETEERS through its work with kids in So. California, and sent out to hotline or other callers. The final package will be finished for presentation at the July, 1995 National Youth Environmental Summit in urban forestry workshops, and distributed as handouts.

The finished package will be mailed to youth organizations with community forestry programs, and state urban forestry coordinators. It's availability will be widely advertised through ISA publications, the Kids F.AC.E. newsletter, *Partners for the Planet* newsletter, hotline, TREE MUSKETEERS' speakers bureau, and other publications of partners.

TREE MUSKETEERS generally sees 50-60,000 people during the first six months of each year through school, Scout, corporate, and community affairs who will be made aware of the community forestry program for kids. It will, further, be advertised on computer bulletin boards.

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Community enhancement and involvement will be facilitated by offering school enrichment, Scout badge/advancement assistance, and working within the City Recreation and Parks Dept. staff and commission system to increase communication with citizens.

#### PARTNERS

A youth/adult - public/private/nonprofit - technical/social partnership is proposed. Primary partners joining TREE MUSKETEERS will be the International Society of Arboriculture, the City of El Segundo, and Southern California Edison with The Davey Resource Group, Chevron USA, and Visioneers joining the partnership on varying levels.

Delegates of the Youth Summit whose Trees Across America projects include urban forestry, will be partners through invitation for input as the package and its literature is developed.

#### FUNDING

\$160,000 is requested in federal funding with matching funds of \$274,072 provided by partnership representing a total two year program budget projection of \$434,092.

#### TIMELINE

Partially funded Tree House activities began on Arbor Day, March 7, 1993 with one day per week part ti project management team staffing in place through Nov. 1, 1993. Full scale Hometown Forests program activity could begin immediately with package ready for delivery at the July, 1995 National Youth Environmental Summit. Further distribution, support, and quantification would continue through Dec. 31, 1995.

#### MEASURES OF SUCCESS

1. Community awareness will be surveyed before and at conclusion of the project.

- 2. Package evaluation will be performed by environmental education professionals.
- 3. A timeline for major tasks will be established as a tool for measuring performance.
- 4. Hotline and letter requests to TREE MUSKETEERS for program information will be tracked.

5. Delegate evaluations will be obtained at the 1995 Summit.

"TREE MUSKETEERS have demonstrated that kids can have impact on a community, suggesting by extension that similar efforts on a broader scale can indeed change the world TREE MUSKETEERS hope that the knowledge of what kids can do will inspire and empower other children in groups and as individuals. <u>L.A. Reader</u>, April 12, 1991

## **Example of our Hometown Forest Grant**

#### **IMPACT**

- adaptable to the needs of any community, the program will empower young people to launch successful Trees A cross America projects;
- the urban forestry action plan drafted by delegates at the first National Y outh Environmental Summit, currently just words on paper, will come to life **as** a quantifiable success story;
- the program will effectively bridge economic and cultural gaps when delivered to broadly diverse communities by hometown youngsters attracted to the Summit, inducted into the youth movement, and given tools to become change agents;
- community forests will be prioritized and municipal budgets favorably affected by an improved application of volunteerism representing all sectors; and
- the program will serve as a model for cities, utilities, and urban forestry professionals by setting an example of successful partnerships with youth.

#### **METHODS**

- Step 1 Management team meets with So. Calif. Edison and City Planners to determine limitations on use of Tree House property.
- Step 2 Visioneers conducts a week-end workshop with kids of TREE MUSKETEERS to facilitate a clearly articulated plan for Tree House and the project in general.
- Step 3 A meeting at which the youth impart their vision of Hometown Forests on adult partners. Together, tasks and timelines will be developed that spell out the plan of action for the program period.
- Step 4 Partners will assume responsibility to assist with aspects of the program based upon expertise, resources, and expressed requests from youth.

The Hometown Forests management team will present the program through workshops at the 1995 Youth Summit. Input will be solicited from other members of the youth movement as the project unfolds.

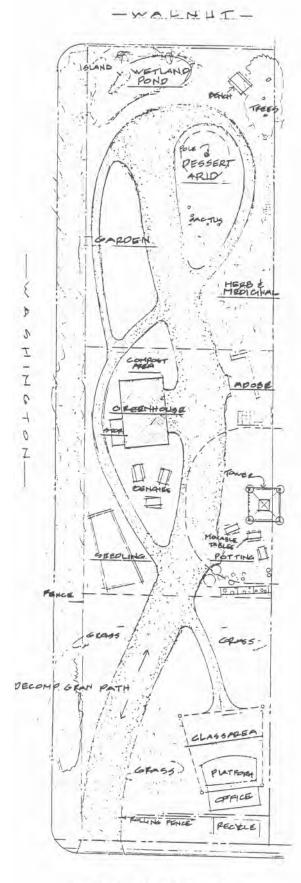
The City of El Segundo will be the "laboratory" in which the **real life** program is developed by kids, documented, and packaged for dissemination nationwide. An adult/youth program management team of TREE MUSKETEERS will lead the primarily volunteer driven organization in design, implementation, and presentation of Hometown activities.

Making productive use of a power line lot, Tree House Outdoor Community Classroom will be a focal point of local reforestation efforts. As a tree care center, Tree House will offer demonstration areas and workshops for citizens tall and small; serve as a nursery for raising program stock; and be a launch pad for tree planting/care projects.

### HOMETOWN FORESTS PROGRAM BUDGET

	1994 Expense	1995 Expense	TOTAL
PERSONNEL Program Mgr Youth Asstnt (@\$5/hr x 15hr/wk) Clerical (\$24,996x30%) Youth Clerical (\$3,900x30%) Staff Costs (wages x 25%). Volunteer Hours	\$ 69,791 30,000 3,900 7,499 1,170 10,642 16,580	<b>\$ 72,408</b> 30,000 5,164 7,949 1,549 11,166 16,580	\$142,199 60,000 9,064 15,448 2,719 21,808 33,160
OCCUPANCY Office Utilities Trailer Tree House Property	\$ 16,070 3,600 570 2,000 9,900	\$ 17,270 4,680 690 2,000 9,900	\$ 33,340 8,280 1,260 4,000 19,800
SERVICES Legal/Accounting Insurance Data Entry Tree Care/Event Video Production Tree Mgnt Plan Electric Installation Design Workshop/Trng Editing/Review Distribution/Warehousing Advertising	\$ 35,840 3,833 1,217 2,500 11,700 3,500 1,500 750 2,190 3,150 5,500	\$ 37,200 3,833 1,217 2,500 11,700 4,200 3,150 5,100 5,500	\$ 73,040 7,666 2,434 5,000 23,400 7,700 1,500 750 2,190 6,300 5,100 11,000
TRAVEL Local Trng/Conferences Summit Attendance Project Inspection	\$ 4,860 1,120 1,990 750 1,000	\$ 6,370 1,120 1,500 2,750 1,000	\$ 11,230 2,240 3,490 3,500 2,000
EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES Computer Hardware Computer Software Literature/Publications Chipper Construction Materials Office Supplies Nurery Stock/Supplies	\$ 23,466 1,000 6,500 6,000 1,000 350 732 8,334	\$ 13,317 6,000 450 732 6,585	\$ 36,783 1,000 6,500 12,000 1,000 800 1,464 14,919
COMMUNICATION Telephone/FAX Postage Printing/Copies	\$ 14,941 1,891 1,410 11,640	\$ 23,441 1,891 8,610 12,940	\$ 38,382 3,782 10,020 24,580
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 37,779	\$ 32,699	\$ 70,478
Total Expenses	\$202,747	\$202,705	\$405,452

VENUE COMMITTE	<u>ED</u>	USDA/NUFAC	\$	50,000
		TREE MUSKETEERS	\$	44,866
		Int'l Society of Arboriculture	\$	41,200
Nonprofits	= 35%	So Cal Edison	\$	40,250
Federal Gov't	= 28%	City of El Segundo	\$	40,000
Private Sector	= 21%	Bureau of Reclamation	\$	20,000
Local Govt	= 16%	Davey Resource Group	\$	8,950
		Chevron	\$	2,000
		Visioneers	\$	750
		Allied-Signal	Ś	500
		Total	\$	248,516 = 61%



use's Master Plan

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Example of Tree

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## **Example Speech to Parks and Recreation Commission**

#### Tree Inventory Parks and Recreation Commission 8/21/90

TREE MUSKETEERS has been working hard for three years to help the City of El Segundo develop a community forest. One of the most important things missing is an efficient tree management plan. The first step in developing such a plan is a tree inventory.

The parks crew does not have time to do this, and it would cost \$10,000 for a professional service. Youth Director Brett Barrett is going to do the tree inventory as his Boy Scout Eagle service project.

The inventory will cover these eight points: location, species, diameter of the trunk, height, condition, over head obstruction (if any), available growing space, and after the survey we will calculate the monetary value for each of our 5,000 trees.

To be fully utilized, this inventory needs to be put on a computer program. Many scouts from El Segundo will volunteer their time to help Bret with this project, and we would appreciate the City budget allowing for the Parks Department to purchase the \$5,000 software. This program comes customized with our inventory, maintenance standards, and training is provided for personnel to learn how to use it.

Our inventory will, no doubt, show that many trees need attention that they have not been getting because of short staffing in the Department. Please also consider not cutting the tree staff at this time.

Increased efficiency with the computerized tree management program will allow for tree maintenance to be brought up to date. At that point it might be possible to cut staff. We urge you to make this commitment to the community forest.

## Example Speech to City Council

#### Malathion Plan

#### City Council 6/5/90

In recent times, the aerial spraying of Malathion has caused public outrage. Though there are no more "scheduled" sprayings for Los Angeles County, they will be resumed if more flies are found. They have already come dangerously close to El Segundo since Gardena is only two cities away! There are fly traps all over town.

The Malathion that is sold in nurseries for home use is a 50% solution that is diluted to less than  $\frac{1}{2}$ % solution before application. We understand the Malathion they are dropping on communities is a 99% solution.

It is the position of TREE MUSKETEERS that we do not want to be sprayed! We have not been able to find even on resident who does not find the idea offensive.

Many cities have waged campaigns to avoid spraying based upon it being a health hazard for people. This approach has been totally unsuccessful. We believe that the federal protection given our endangered El Segundo Blue Butterfly could be the basis of an effective defense should our community be targeted for Malathion spraying.

Since there is such a abort period of time between flies being found and the start of spraying, we feel some advanced preparation would be a good investment of time in defense of El Segundo's human beings, as well as the Blue Butterfly.

Our plan is to:

Get copies of some of the scientific studies that would support our case of Malathion's potential harm to the Blue Butterfly.

Determine how broad an area should be protected so that the wind does not carry the poison into the habitat.

Research what legal avenues would be best used

Hopefully, no more files will be found, and we will never need to put this plan into action. We, however, would lx prepared if the need arose.

Our purpose in being here tonight is simply to let you the City know about our plan: to see if you approve: and to ask if you have any thoughts or ideas on the subject.

## **Example Arbor Day Proclamation**

#### PROCLAMATION

- Whereas, Arbor Day has been celebrated in the United States for more than one hundred years as a day to plant trees and restore this valuable natural resource which reduces noise and air pollution and enhances the beauty of our communities; and
- Whereas, Arbor Day is celebrated each year on March 5, the birthday of Luther Burbank, whose research and dedication significantly improved varieties of flowers, fruits, grains, grasses, vegetables and trees; and
- Whereas, the City of El Segundo is proud of its street, park and home garden trees, and recognizes the importance of tree care and appreciation to a cleaner and healthier environment;

Now, Therefore, the City Council of the City of El Segundo does hereby proclaim March 7, 1995 as

#### ARBOR DAY

in El Segundo, and urges all residents to observe this day by recognizing the importance trees have in improving our quality of life in the community.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1995.

EGU CITY OF A. AINA,

Keith Schuldt Mayor Pro Tem

"Bob" Anderson

H.R. "Bob" Anderson Councilman

Jack E. Siadek, Mayor City of El Segundo, CA

Carl Jacobson Councilman

Alan West Councilman

## **Example Earth Day Proclamation**

### PROCLAMATION

- Whereas, Earth Day was first celebrated on April 22, 1970 when Americans stood up to be counted as members of a movement to save our earth;
- Whereas, Earth Day brought about the birth of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Clean Air and Water Acts, and put an end to many practices known to be detrimental to nature;
- Whereas, the continuing environmental crises that threaten life on earth have brought citizens of the world to their feet 25 years later to join hands in the war to save Mother Earth;

Now, Therefore, the City Council of the City of El Segundo does hereby proclaim April 22, 1995 as

## EARTH DAY

in El Segundo, and urges all members of the community to observe this day by making meaningful contributions to environmental improvement, and living as if every day is EARTH DAY.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1995.



Jack E. Siadek, Mayor City of El Segundo, CA

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Keith Schuldt Mayor Pro Tem

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Alan West Councilman

Pro	ject Profile
Activity	Date
Organization	_ Location
Contact Person	Phone
Address	FAX
CityZip	_ Directions
Remarks	-
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Call taken by	Date
Given to	Board approval
Call returned by	Date
P	roject Team
Manager/Coordinator	Adult/Driver
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TE	AM MEETING
Day Date	Time
Place	

**Project Planner** 

Project Name	Date/Due		
Project Manager/Coordinator	# Volunteers N	eeded	
Special Skills Required	Training Provided:	yes	no
Team Members	Duties		
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## Timeline

Day	Date	Time (from - to)	Activity
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## **Project Planner**

After accepting responsibility for this project

- □ Enter your name in the "manager/coordinator" blank
- Xerox the Project Profile (pink sheet) and staple it to this sheet for reference
- Call the contact person to confirm that we will be coming and to introduce yourself as the Project Manager.

Also, confirm:	Date Date	Time
a series a series of the	Location	□ Address
	driving directions	Contact person
	their phone and FAX number	will there be set-up time before
		when:
U wh	at do they want us to do:	
	Baby Tree Adoptions	Pass out literature
	Give a speech; length: min;	topic:
	Other:	1

- Decide how many people you will need to help (remember that kids can't work without a TM adult around)
- □ Set-up shifts (2-3 people per 1-2 hours)
- Get the most resent list of volunteers from Kelley or her bulletin board.
- Call people, explain the project to them and ask if they would like to come. You will get more positive answers, if you talk to the person directly (i.e. if you leave a message, call back later to ask directly)

Call new people, parents who want to get more involved, and people who do not volunteer very often first. This will help the volunteer base grow.

- Ask a TM adult, who has their insurance and fingerprinting paperwork done, to be the driver.
- Decide what you will need to take with you:

TM Banner 1 or 2	Brochures
Books	Meet TM
Helping Hands	AVT
□ 50 Things	Membership
Cash Box	Memory Trees
Change	Tree Planting, etc.
Wind Weights: rocks, big clips, etc.	Summit info
Tape	TM Calendar
□ Rope or string	Resent newspaper articles
□ Seedlings	Generation other:
Seeds, soil, empty pots, holder	D other:
Other:	D other:
Other:	Brochure holders

What other prep work will you need to do?

- Dress Baby Trees (don't expect Tree House to do it for you)
- Train a Speaker
- Other:

The Day Before ...

- Come to the office, get a box and load it with the above stuff.
- Get the Baby Trees from Tree House
- CALL EVERY VOLUNTEER, THE NIGHT BEFORE, to confirm their attendance, their shift time and length, the meeting place and time, and the returning time. Remind everyone to bring their permission slip (youth) or acknowledgment of responsibility slip (adults/drivers).

The Day of the Project ....

- Collect permission slips or acknowledgment of responsibility slips
- Have all the volunteers fill out the "Project Volunteers' Hours Form" (blue)

The Day After ...

Put every thing away/take seedlings to Tree House.

Count cash box/do inventory

- Mail a thank you note or report card to the event organizer or the contact person
- Complete the Debrief and Evaluation
- Staple the original Project Profile (pink sheet) to the front of this.
- File everything, by date, in the bottom draw of the file cabinet by the Xerox machine.
- Report on the success of the project at the next Board Meeting.

## **Debrief and Evaluation**

Well organized?		
What were the benefits?		
Drawbacks?		
Should we do something differently next time?		
Overall opinion:		
Should we do it again?		
Submitted by		
TREE MUSKETEER'S	Hometown Forest Package	

#### **TREE MUSKETEERS Memory Tree Timeline**

#### **3 Months before**

Set date (Plantings: Nov., Jan., March 7 (Arbor Day), and dedication only in July) and time (Traditionally on Sunday after church, like 2:00 p.m.)

#### 2 Months before

Notify Prospective Guardians as to the date

Confirm their reservations, plaque wording, tree type and desired location Contact Guardians whose trees need to be replanted or plaques need to be replaced Pick out general location of planting

#### 1 Month before

Pick out trees to be planted from Tree House Order other trees from International Garden Center Invite all Guardians to planting Place announcement in the El Segundo Herald in the Calendar Events Friday before the desired date Brief new guardians on how to plant a tree, and what to bring (camera, poem)

#### 3 Weeks before

Place announcement in newspaper (Friday) Ask TM youth to volunteer. Have at least 1 TM per tree

#### 2 Weeks before

Collect donations for Guardians Order plaques from Bobby at Paradise Awards (3" x 6" outdoor plaques; blue w/white) Buy cinder blocks (The Home Depot) Place announcement in newspaper (Friday)

#### 1 Week before

Pick up trees from Int'l Garden Center Confirm all participants: volunteers and Guardians Stake out places on Memory Row Figure out the tree to tool ratio (2-3 shovel per tree) Pick-up plaques and glue them to concrete block with Goop Organize TM teams (Put TM with tree) Have Guardian pick out a poem

#### **1 Day before**

Transport trees to Memory Row Put all tools in van

#### Day of

Place trees and plaques by desired planting location Meet all Guardians and other participants at Marcie: introduce and brief everyone, pair up TM and Guardian Check out tools and supplies to Guardian Hand out poems After planting check in tools and put back in van

#### Within One Week

Send out New Guardian Letters and nice copy of their poem Include New Guardians in next Issue of Trunk Line

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## **Example of a Form Letter**

## TREE MUSKETEERS

136 Main St., Ste A El Segundo, CA 90245-3800 310 / 322-0263 FAX 322-4482

June 23, 1995

<<FirstName>> <<LastName>> <<Company>> <<Address>> <<CityStateZip>>

Dear <</Title>> <</LastName>>,

This is a form letter. Microsoft Word makes them easily. Refer to your manual. Basically, you write the letter, leaving blanks for name, donation, etc. Then you open a new file and make a table (a data file). After you save the letter and the data file, you go to "Mail Merge" under "tools" and the computer will walk you through it.

Thank you for <<Company>>'s generous contribution of <<donation>> for our <<event>>. TREE MUSKETEERS and Mother Earth value your dedication to the environment. Blah, blah.

We look forward to your assistance with our <<FutureEvent>>. Please feel free to call us, if we can be of any assistance to you or <<Company>>.

Very treely yours,

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Sabrina Alimahomed Hometown Forest Youth Manager

Title	First Name	LastN ame	Company	Address	CityStateZip	Donation	Event	Future Event
Mr.	Bob	Jensen	Southern California Edison	P.O. Box 2944	Torrance, CA 90503	the use of your company van	Arbor Day Parade	Earth Day event
Ms.	Lily	Craig	Chevron U.S.A.	321 El Segundo Bl.	El Segundo, CA 90245	your employee's time as security	Arbor Day Parade	Earth Day event

## **Example of Letter for Sponsorship**

## TREE MUSKETEERS

136 Main St., Ste A El Segundo, CA 90245-3800 310 / 322-0263 FAX 322-4482

November 4, 1995

Linda Jamison Director of Marketing and Communication Dawry Foods 245 4th Street Rocksville, MI 09143

Dear Ms. Jamison,

Landfill Crisis! Air and Water Pollution! Ozone Depletion! Endangered Species! The list of environmental crises goes on-but California's young environmental leaders are doing something about it!

Momentum for the youth movement was created when TREE MUSKETEERS, a by kids-for kids nonprofit environmental organization founded in 1987, presented and joined forces with over 600 young people at the first ever National *Partners for the Planet* Youth Environmental Summit in 1993. Kids were empowered tools were distributed, project goals were established, and hopes for the future were raised.

Among the top priorities of the Summit was to establish a network of kids who share the same concern in preserving our trees. A regional meeting of youth who are involved with urban forestry is critically needed to maintain the momentum created at the first Summit. 100 youth leaders who are in Middle School and High School are coming together to come up with a plan of action to save the trees in California. Most importantly, this regional meeting will provide the structure for an ongoing support network for generations to come.

On behalf of the Regional Committee and fellow youth environmentalists, we are asking Dawry Foods to further their commitment to the environment and the nurturing of strong leaders for the future by making a \$5,000 cash investment. We will, in return, recognize Dawry Foods as a financial partner.

Please join us by becoming Partner for the Planet. Together, we can make a world of difference!

For the Earth,

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Sabrina Alimahomed Founder, Regional Coordinator

## PUSH IT! Media Tip Sheets



When people talk about the "news media," they're talking about: the newspapers, radio stations, and television stations who reach millions of people every day. That's why it's important that they cover your *Pennies* activities: they can spread the word and amplify your voice so your actions will be seen and heard by kids and educators across your state and maybe even across the country. The media can help spread the word and help more kids help wildlife!

Where does the news media 2et the news? Sometimes, they can't miss it: like a big car crash outside their front door. But most of the time, they rely on people like you to tell them about newsworthy events occurring in their communities. And as kids, you've got a big advantage: the news media loves stories about kids taking action. Demonstrate that you're serious about what you're doing; that you've got an important message; and never apologize for seeking publicity.

<u>What makes news?</u> There's a reason they call it "news." Reporters are interested in what's new. For example, there's not much news in a story about a dog biting a man; but a man biting a dog?! That's news! It's unexpected. It's different. It's out of the ordinary. Reporters are also drawn to stories that affect the communities they cover and the people who live in those communities. They are interested in stories about people (especially young people!) taking action.

How do you 2et attention from the news media? By demonstrating you've got an interesting story on important issues, involving young people from across your region in national campaign to help migratory wildlife. You have to make sure the news media get accurate and complete information in time for them to respond. And, you have to make sure they can 'get' the story -- reach the people they want to interview, get the pictures they need to make the story real, and complete their work by deadline! (Typically morning newspapers have late evening deadlines but television reporters must be done by late afternoon!)

<u>Make sure you have an accurate news media list first.</u> Your list should include every newspaper (daily and weekly), television station and radio station in your area, their addresses, phone numbers and the key contact person. <u>At newspapers</u>, you want to talk with the reporter who covers environmental issues or, the reporter who covers kids issues. If you can't reach the reporter, ask for the editor responsible for those stories. <u>At radio stations</u>, ask for the newsroom and then ask to speak to a reporter or assignment editor. DONT call exactly on the hour because most radio stations are busy broadcasting the news at that time. <u>At television stations</u>, ask for the assignment editor. That's the person who makes decisions about what gets covered and which reporter covers.

**Prepare a press release announcing your** Pennies events. You should prepare a press release to distribute to all the news media in your region (we've provide a sample one for you). Make sure it tells the reporters the 5 "W"s and 1"H" -- who, what, where, when, why, and how.

Make sure it gets to the news media in time for them to plan coverage (at least two weeks before the event). Most news media work off fax machines so you could plan to fax out the releases. And, make sure there's a contact name and phone number on the release for someone they can call to get more information. Whether you distribute these releases by fax, mail or in person, it's important that someone follow-up to make sure they've been received and are in the right hands.

## <u>Always remember to follow-up every news release with a phone call to make sure it</u> <u>was received.</u>

**Prepare scripts for Public Service Announcements** and approach local radio and television stations to request that they broadcast these announcements. Many television and radio stations, as a community service, broadcast Public Service Announcements to publicize community events. What's a Public Service Announcement (a lot of people call them PSA's)? It's a short message, like a commercial, except instead of selling something, it's putting forward a message considered to be in the public interest. Ask your local stations how long the PSA's must be and if they have any rules governing their PSA's. (A sample PSA script is enclosed.)

<u>Make sure your</u> Pennies events are listed in community bulletin boards. Most newspapers publish a listing of community activities and many television and radio stations broadcast the same lists. In addition to contacting reporters or editors, make sure you reach the people responsible for compiling and publicizing these lists.

<u>Ask your local newspaper to allow kids involved in Penny raising events to meet</u> <u>with members of their editorial board.</u> Every major daily newspaper has an editorial board. Its members generally include the people who write the editorials for the newspaper and the paper's top editors. Frequently, editorial boards invite community leaders or newsmakers to meet with them and with a reporter to discuss their work or concerns. You should seek a meeting with your local editorial board to talk with them about your work helping wildlife and about the *Pennies for the Planet* campaign-- explaining why it's important and what you hope to accomplish. Find out who is the Editor of the Editorial Page for the newspaper (or ask who heads the Editorial Board). Write or call that person explaining what EARTH FORCE is, the *Pennies for the Planet* events you're planning, and request a meeting with the Editorial Board.

**Prepare reminders for the news media.** Don't count on the news media to remember something you've told them two weeks after you've told it to them. Plan to follow your original announcement of the *Pennies* events with reminders to reporters one week and then a day or two before your event.

<u>At your</u> Pennies events, make sure reporters have the information they need to prepare their stories. Remember the 5 "W"s and 1 "H"? Reporters will want to know all that -- Who is organizing (provide the names, age, and school or group affiliation of your group of kids); who is attending (provide the names of the groups participating in the campaign, and the names and titles of the adults attending); why are you taking action, what is happening, where are you holding the events, when are the events taking place, and how was it organized.

## **Media Tip Sheet**

At your events, make sure reporters can get the story. Television cameras must be able to set up in a place that provides them a clear shot of what's going on. Television and radio need either to be able to place their microphones near the people speaking or to have access to a sound board that will allow them to tape record the speakers. Newspaper reporters also need to be placed where they can see and hear everything. That means marking off a separate area of your events that is reserved for the news media and, on the day of the event, making sure reporters know where that area is and that there's room enough to accommodate everyone covering.

#### How to write a news release?

- 1. Make sure there's a contact name and number at the top.
- Make sure your release has the date on it and that it's clear that your release is for IMMEDIATE RELEASE. (Sometimes, people or groups issue news releases to be held until a certain day.)
- Think of a clever headline for the top of the page -- something that will get your reader's attention without telling them everything.
- 4. Answer the 5 "W's" and 1 "H" who, what, where, when, why, how
- Keep it concise and clear -- one page if possible -- and make sure it's easy to read, especially the key information about where and when.
- 6. If you need more than one page, write MORE at the bottom of the first page. At the very end of the press release, write -30- or ## to signal your reader there's nothing more to come.
- Double check to make sure there are no typos and all the information is absolutely accurate!

How to handle television interviews?

Sometimes, you can plan for an interview because a reporter asks for it ahead of time. Other times, you suddenly find a reporter with a microphone and a camera person asking you questions. In either case, don't be nervous, don't back-off, and don't giggle (which is what a lot of us do when we get nervous!) The reporter has a job to do and so do you -- helping them and their viewers learn about your town meetings and wildlife issues.

You can also use these television interview tips to help you when a radio or newspaper or any other kind of reporter wants to talk with you.

**THINK:** If you've got time to prepare, think about what you want to say ahead of time. Focus on one or two most important points that you can express clearly and concisely (and we mean **concisely -- one or two sentences** tops!) And think about what questions you might get asked and how you would answer them. Remember, your answers must be short and to the point.

**ON THE RECORD:** It's a reporter's job to record or write down what you say. That means you have to remember that once an interview starts, what you say is on the record -- that means you could see it on the news or in the newspaper. Don't say anything you don't want public.

<u>PRACTICE</u> what you want to say -- out loud. (Some people even practice in front of a mirror!) Ask your family or friends to ask you questions and practice answering them -- out loud. Talk about how your answers could be crisper or more to the point.

LISTEN carefully to yourself and to the questions you're being asked. It's one of the most important things you can do.

<u>TAKE TIME:</u> If you're approached by a reporter without time to prepare, try to make some time. Ask the reporter to give you a minute or two to get your thoughts together and use that time to think about what you want to say. Take your time in answering so you're thinking while you're talking.

**IGNORE THE** CAMERA: For television interviews that are being taped (as opposed to being broadcast live) or for any television interview where there's a reporter right there with you asking questions, when you answer, look at the <u>reporter</u> not the camera. (Watch TV news and you'll notice that the people interviewed in their stories aren't looking directly into the camera but off to the side -- that's because they were looking at the reporter.)

It's only when you give an interview that will be broadcast live -- that is, just as you're giving it -- and <u>without</u> a reporter present that you should look into the camera.

In general, don't hesitate to ask the reporter or camera person where you should look when you're answering. That way, you won't make a mistake.

<u>DO-OVERS</u>: When you're taping an interview for radio or television, sometimes the reporter will let you repeat an answer. If you really feel you've made a mistake or could do it a second time much better, don't be afraid to ask a reporter if you could try a specific answer again. Most reporters will let you. But remember, do-overs should be the exception, not the rule. Don't make it a practice.

MAKE YOUR POINT: If at the end of your interview, you feel the reporter has failed to ask an important question or you haven't had the opportunity to make a point you think is important, don't hesitate to ask the reporter for a chance to add something. At the end of the interview, you could say, "I want to add one more thing I think is important," or "There's something else you should focus on too."

THANKS: don't forget to thank the reporter and the camera person.

#### What if I have to give a speech?

A lot of the same rules that apply to interviews apply to public speaking. If you have to make a statement at the town meeting or to a newspaper editorial board or to a public meeting, there are some important tips to remember.

**PREPARE:** You'll do your best if you take time to prepare. Think about your audience and the best way to attract their interest. For example, if you're speaking to business people, think about what they could do or why protecting wildlife and habitat makes good business sense.

## **Media Tip Sheet**

KEEP IT SHORT AND SIMPLE: If you're giving a speech or making a presentation to a group, keep it short and simple -- not more than five or ten minutes. When you practice, time yourself actually delivering your remarks. If it's too long, think about how you can make it shorter.

<u>THINK AND PLAN</u>: Think about what you want to say ahead of time and write it down. There are several different ways to do this.

If your speech is short enough, you might want to try to memorize it.

You might want to write down exactly what you want to say and practice saying it, with the text in front of you. That means learning the speech well enough so that if you look down from time to time, all you'll need is a reminder of where you're going.

DON'T read the speech -- that'll keep your head buried in the paper -- but have it there so you can refer to it from time to time.

Or, you might want to prepare your speech and then put it on 5 X 7 cards with each card holding a separate thought. Then delivering the speech means just flipping through your cards.

<u>PRACTICE</u>: Even adults who give speeches all the time, practice. You should too. Once you've decided what you want to say and written your speech, practice it. You may want to practice in front of a mirror or in front of your class or family. You'll find it makes a big difference to actually say what you've written down and sometimes, it'll even help you figure out a way to say what you want to say even more effectively!

EYE CONTACT: Look at your audience not at your speech. Try to make eye contact with different people in the audience.

<u>TAKE YOUR TIME</u>: Sometimes, when we get nervous, we talk faster than usual. Take a deep breath at the start of your speech and take your time. Your audience is there to hear what you have to say. They'll understand it better if you deliver it well.

IF YOU NEED ANY ADDITIONAL TIPS, PLEASE GIVE US A CALL!

## **Example of a Press Release**

## TREE MUSKETEERS

136 Main St., Ste A El Segundo, CA 90245-3800 310 / 322-0263 FAX 322-4482

#### PRESS RELEASE

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE June 2, 1995

Contact: Sharon Baker (310)322-0263

## TREE MUSKETEERS INVITES THE COMMUNITY TO THE OPENING OF **TREE HOUSE**

After a long, hard year of working it is finally done! TREE MUSKETEERS, El Segundo's own youth environmental organization has been working on transforming a deserted power line lot into a one of a kind outdoor community classroom. The Planning Committee and Advisory Board are the people who have been making it happen. The Planning Committee is comprised of youth ages 6-17 who give overall direction and guidance while the Advisory Board which is made up of adults supports and helps in any way possible. What could be more fun than visiting a place that was completely designed and inspired by youth!

The kids who created Tree House made sure that kids would learn about the environment through hands on experiences. Some of the highlights of Tree House are the greenhouse, wetland habitat, human compost pile, and nature walk. The varying subjects kids will be learning about are trees, water, and animals.

This Saturday, Tree House will be opening its doors to the public for the first time. Come and celebrate the grand opening with families from all over the South Bay. There will be time to eat lunch if you would like to bring it. Please call and make reservations.

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(<sup>↑</sup> This symbol equals "The End" to the Media)

#### TREE MUSKETEER'S Hometown Forest Package

<u>Kids Gardening: A Kids Guide To Messing Around In The Dirt</u> By: Kevin Raftery and Kim Gilbert Raftery Published by Klutz Press Age: 7-12 Around \$13.00

This book had funny pictures and great gardening information. It included everything from seeds to a shovel. You only have to supply the dirt. It includes yummy recipes and exciting new ways to plant your back yard garden.

- Other good books by Klutz Press are: Everybody's Everywhere Backyard Bird Book Explorabook



50 Simple Things Kids Can Do To Save The Earth By: The Earth Works Group Published by: Andres and McMeel - A Universal Press Syndicated Company Age 7-17 \$6.95

These books gives younger kids fun activities. For older kids it gives great resources and facts. It shows how you can help our environment from A-Z easily. A book recommended for all young environmentalists and their parents.

<u>30 Simple Energy Things You Can Do To Save The Earth</u>

By: John Javna Published by: The Earth Works Group

Age 12-18 \$3.95

If you look in your house there are many ways in which energy can be wasted. This book gives new ideas to reduce the energy consumption in your home, like using fans in the attic, which makes air conditioning less necessary during the summer months.

The Helping Hands Handbook

By: Patricia Adams and Jean Marzollo

Published by: Random House New York

Ages 9-18 \$4.99

In this book you and your friends find new ways to start your own club or join one. There are many new ideas showing you how to help other humans, animals, and the environment.

The Student Environmental Action Guide

By: The Student Environmental Action Coalition

Published by: The Earth Works Press

Ages 16 - 25 \$4.95

This action guide gives teenagers success stories of environmental projects throughout the United States. The plot is very much like 50 simple things, but there are only 25 outlines. If you are a young adult wanting new ideas to try at your school, this book is a great place to start.

Backyard Composting By: John W Roulac Published by: Harmonious Press Age 13 -18 \$6.95

Backyard Composting is a great book with step by step information on how to start compost outside your home. It shows different types of compost bins that can easily be made. There are instructions on layering materials and caring for your compost. If you want to start composting, this is a great book to read.

<u>The Recyclers Handbook</u> By: The Earth Works Group Published by: Earth Works Press, Inc. Age 12 - 18 **\$4.95** 



<u>The Recyclers Handbook</u> gives how to instructions on recycling in your community. It gives a list of many other recycling resources. The three **R'**s are Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. In this book you will find many ways to use the three **R'**s in your hometown. If you like recycling or want to start, this book will answer almost any questions you have.

<u>Kid Heroes of the Environment</u> By: The Earth Works Group Published by: Earth works Press, Inc. Age 7 - 17 \$4.95

If you want to become an environmental hero, read this book! Many kids have worked on projects that brought attention to adults. These youths were featured in this book, which can help you start a project and find out what other kids are doing. The projects range from saving sea turtles to Melissa Poe's (founder of Kids F.A.C.E.) letter to the President.

<u>Save Our Planet</u> By: Diane Mac Earchern Published by: Dell Trade Paperback Age 9 - 17 \$9.95

In <u>Save Our Planet</u>, Earth's needs are shown and the answers given. There are 750 environmental concerns mentioned in this book. They all come with a simple solution. This book is recommended for all environmentalists to read.

<u>No Kidding Around</u> By: Wendy Schatzel Lesko - Activism 2000 Project Published By: Information U.S.A. Inc. Age 14-17 \$18.95

This book gives a step by step action guide to launch your own campaign. It shows activities many teens developed to pursue their environmental interests. As a young activist, the information given will help you develop a plan of action. The activities described in this book work with the elderly, drug abuse, and the environment.

The Kids Guide to Social Action By: Barbara A. Lewis Published by: Free Spirit Publishing Age 11 -17 \$14.95

Social activities discussed in range from fundraising to interviewing. It gives you answers that will be needed, if you are starting a club or want to speak to city council. Read this book and find out what other students have overcome to make their project stronger.

Rescue Mission Planet Earth By: Children of the World Published by King fisher Books Age 7 - 15 \$9.95

This book was written by children of the earth concerned about their environment. Their colorful illustrations were drawn about impacts facing our future. There are questions and answers to many problems facing today's society. This book is a good resource for looking at world issues.

The Simple Act of Planting a TreeBy: TreePeople, Andie Lipids and Katie LipidsPublished by: Jeremy P. Tarcher Inc.Age 13-17\$12.95

By reading this book you will gain important information on tree care, planting, watering and more. If you want to plant a tree, this book is for you. It says, "the best time to plant a tree was twenty years ago. The second best time is now " -Anonymous.





4-H Council 7100 Connecticut Ave. Chevy Chase, MD 20815 301/961-2828

The Alliance For Children's Trust Foundation 10477 W. Riverside Dr. Toluca Lake, CA 91602 818/762-7082 Fax: 818/762-6736

Assoc. Oregon Forestry Clubs (AOFC) 4001 Winema PINE #102 Salem, OR 97305 503/378-5596 Fax: 503/378-5156

Caretakers of the Environment 13422 Stardust Bl. Sun City West, AZ 85375 602/546-0021

Captain Planet Foundation 1523 Malcolm Ave Los Angeles, CA 90024 310/475-1684 Fax: 310/441-9170

Center for Environmental Education 881 Alma Real Dr., Ste 300 Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 310/454-4585 Fax: 310/454-9925 CEE has a huge data base of organizations and programs. Please write or call **for** specific information.

Children for Old Growth P.O. Box 1090 Redway, CA 95560 707/923-3009 Fax: 707/923-3009

Children of the Earth Beverly Hills High School 241 S. Moreno Dr. Beverly Hills, CA 90210 **Children's Earth Fund** P.O. Box 2335 40 W. 20th St. New York, NY 10011 212/727-4505 Fax: 212/675-6481 The Children's Earth Fund offers kids information and opportunities to take coordinated action to help the earth. Working with kids, teachers, families, children's environmental groups, and children's media, the Children's Earth Fund helps kids express their concern for their future and the future of the planet. In the 1994 "Pennies for the Planet" campaign, children collected and donated pennies to help kids plant trees in countries where deforestation is severe by providing tree seeds and becoming tree pals.

E Patrol Foundation P.O. Box 30207 Kansas City, MO 64112 816/531-2022

Earth Force, Inc. 1501 Wilson Bl. 12th Floor Arlington, VA 22209 703/243-7400

Earth Guardian's P.O. Box 1709 Makawao, HI 96768 808/878-3230

Earth Kids P.O. Box 3847 Salem, OR 97302 503/363-1896 Fax: 503/363-7158 Earth Kids operates the Earth Kids Network BBS (Bulletin Board System). They conducted the Global Warming CO2 Challenge with 25 Earth Kids schools in Australia, Canada & USA. They attended U.N. Global Youth Forum in

New York and CO2 Challenge Senate hearing in Washington D.C.

#### **Earth Ninos**

Humphreys Ave. School 500 S. Humphrey Ave Los Angeles, CA 90022 213/263-6958

#### Earth Spirit Bulletin Board System

2425 Colorado Ave., Ste 204 Santa Monica, CA 90404 310/582-8228 Fax: 310/315-3007 Modem: 310/264-4785

#### Firehawks

209 7th Ave N. Nashville, TN 37219 615/780-3330

#### Food from the Hood

Crenshaw High School 5010 11th Ave Los Angeles, CA 90043 213/295-4842

#### For Kids - By Kids

P.O. Box 682373 Park City, UT 84068 801/467-9050 Fax: 801/467-0465

How On Earth! Magazine P.O. Box 3347

West Chester, PA 19381 717/529-8638 HOW ON EARTH (HOE!) is a unique quarterly newsletter for and BY youth who support compassionate, ecologically sound living. HOE! covers a variety of environmental, animal, and global issues, while encouraging activism and empowerment among youth who are concerned about animals and the Earth. Subscription: 1 year (4 issues) \$15; 2 years (8 issues) \$25.

#### Greenpeace for Kids

Greenpeace Public Information 1436 U St. NW Washington, DC 20009 202/319-2444 Fax: 202/462-4507 Att'n Public Info

#### Jane Goodall Institute (USA) P.O. Box 599 Ridgefield, CT 06877

**Kids Against Pollution** 

P.O. Box 775 High Street Closter, NJ 07624 201/784-0668

## Kids For A Clean Environment (Kids F.A.C.E.)

P.O. Box 158254 Nashville, TN 37215 Hotline: 800/952-3223 615/331-7381 Fax: 615/333-9879 Kids F.A.C.E. has over 15,800 clubs internationally that kids have started with the help of Kids F.A.C.E. They are concerned with all aspects of the environment; trees/forests, wildlife, recycling, garbage and more. Free membership. **Kids for Conservation** 

Illinois Dept. of Conservation 524 S. 2nd St. Springfield, IL 62701

#### **Kids Save the Planet! (KIDS S.T.O.P.)** P.O. Box 750471 Forest Hills, NY 11375-0471 718/997-7387 Fax: 718/997-8673

## Kids Organized to Protect our Environment (KOPE)

Hawthorne Elementary School 1675 S. 600 East Salt Lake City, UT 84105 801 /484-83 52

National Youth Service Office 202/606-5000

The Natural Guard

142 Howard Ave. New Haven, CT 06519 203/787-0229 "The Natural Guard is an international experiential, environmental service organization for young people K-12. The organizational goals are to empower youth, generate service programs and present career opportunities to foster a spirit of advocacy and create an entire generation of environmentally aware youth. Free membership."

#### **Rescue Mission: Planet Earth**

11426/28 Rockville Pike, Ste. 100 Rockville, MD 20852 301/468-9431 Fax: 301/468-9612

Save The Whales 1426 Main St. Venice, CA 90291 1-800-WHALE-OK

Sierra Student Coalition (SSC) 415/923-5510

Student Action Corps for Animals (SACA) P.O. Box 15588 Washington, DC 20003-0588

Student Conservation Association P.O. Box 550 Charlestown, NH 03603 603/543-1700

Super Kids Recycling Program P.O. Box 242 Iselin, NJ 08830 **Together Net - BBS** 

The Together Foundation 130 S. Willard St. Burlington, VT 05401 802/862-2030 Fax: 802/862-1890 Modem: 802/658-2518 You'll need "client software" to log in.

Tree Amigos 143 Bostwick NE Grand Rapids, MI 49503 616/771-3935

"Tree Amigos has three major components: tree planting and protection efforts, development of creative education materials, instruction, development of classroom, corporate, professional and other partnerships." Tree Amigos has helped educate many young people on the importance of the tropical rain forests and urban forestry.

#### **TREE MUSKETEERS**

136 Main St., Ste. A El Segundo, CA 90245 310/322-0263 Fax: 310/322-4482 Hotline: 800/473-0263 TREE MUSKETEERS, unlike most youth groups which are run by adults for young people, was founded in 1987 as a nonprofit corporation administered by kids. The mission is to bring about environmental improvement through their own actions and, by their example, to challenge other young people and businesses to join the youth environmental movement. National Network Programs support kids with their own hometown issues through hotline, resource exchanges, agency referrals, and creating a communication point for members of the movement through the Partners for the Planet Youth Summits.

#### Partners for the Planet Network

Hotline: 800/473-0263 *Partners for the Planet* is a group of government agencies and environmental nonprofits dedicated to the empowerment of youth.

Woodsie the Owl Fan Club P.O. Box 1963 Washington, DC 20250

#### Youth for Environmental Sanity

706 Freerick St. Santa Cruz, CA 95062



#### **Resources for Teachers**

#### **American Forests**

1516 "**P**" St. NW Washington, DC 20005

#### **Center for Environmental Education**

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Pacific Palisades, CA 90272
310/454-4585 Fax: 310/454-9925
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#### **Earth-Friendly Schools Intl Program**

do Performing & Fine Artists for World Peace P.O. Box 261 Lihu'e, Kaua'i, HI , 96766 808/246-2463

#### **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

Public Information Center 202/260-7751 The EPA has a lot of free information and some teachers aids and lesson plans.

#### The Institute for Earth Education

Cedar Cove Greenville, WV 24945 304/832-6404



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#### **National Gardening Association**

180 Flynn Ave Burlington, VT 05401 802/863-1308

#### **Trees For Life International**

1103 Jefferson Wichita, KS 67203 316/263-7294

#### Unplugged

**PO** Box 385 Oakland, CA 94610 510/268-1277 Fights against commercialization of the classroom including anti-environmental and corporate PR efforts. Please be specific in your request for information.