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Presented by: Meghan Myers, Acting Manager, Environment and William (Bill) Marsh, Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee

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Request for Council Motion from Environmental Advisory Committee - Environmental Initiatives Grant Program

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REQUESTED MOTION

That the following Environmental Initiatives Grant Program funding applications be approved:

Applicant (alphabetical)	Project Description	Grant Allocation
Braeside Pop Up Neighbourhood Garden	Funding would support the neighbourhood pop-up garden for a second season. The group intends to use space as an outdoor community hub to host various events to increase the awareness of growing food, continue to grow neighbourhood connections, and build long-term community relationships.	\$2750.00

Coal Mine Road Community Garden Rainwater Capture System	To fund the supplies needed to build a sustainable rainwater harvesting system by capturing rainwater from the roofs of existing buildings on site. The rainwater capture project will provide a solution having no access to water for the community gardens and provide the opportunity to have an effective and working compost system on site.	\$4850.00
Grandin Village Community Garden Enhancement	To implement a large on-site compost system to divert organics from the landfill in the condo community; support enhancing an inclusive community space by building a community board on site for education and planting a large community garden plot that can accessed by anyone in the community.	\$3788.55
Joseph M Demko Biodiversity Project	This project will educate students on how to support pollinators and increase biodiversity in the community. Funds requested will purchase the supplies needed for Grade 1, 2 and Junior High students to build bee homes, bird houses and bat houses.	\$1527.50
Paul Kane High School - Botanical Studies Course	Funds requested will support greenhouse and planting materials needed to implement a new Botanical studies course. This course will teach students about sustainable gardening practices, renewable resources, native plant species, and produce food for the culinary arts program.	\$4,695.50

Riverlot 56 Naturalization Project	Funds will support testing several new planting techniques and collecting that data to continue naturalizing and regenerating the Aspen Forest at Riverlot 56. The day of the planting event will be communicated in advance and the open for anyone in the community to be involved in this project.	\$3,495.00
St. Albert Botanic Park - Sustainable Soil Project	Funds requested will support the first stage in remediating major deficiencies in the soil by adding compost in various park beds and gardens at the St. Albert Botanic Garden.	\$4,003.68
St. Albert Catholic High School River Education Mentorship Program	Funds will purchase additional resources needed to support the education of the Sturgeon River. Biology 20 students will utilize resources to create a lesson plan and interactive outdoor workshop with K-Grade 2 students relating to river health, water conservation, aquatic ecosystems, plant & animal biodiversity, etc.	\$2,010.00
St. Albert Catholic High School Space Club; Air Quality Balloon Project	Funds will be used to purchase and launch a high-altitude weather balloon equipped with sensors that will detect and track several air quality components. The Space Club will analyze the data and communicate findings with the St. Albert high schools, and the community.	\$1,079.77
Star Garden -Together We Grow	Funds will support the development of a cooperative urban garden space focused on the education of growing indigenous medicinal plants, fostering no till garden techniques, and establishing partnerships in the community to increase access to fresh produce for those in need within the community.	\$5,000.00

TOTAL	Funds Available: \$33,200.00	Funds Allocated: \$33,200.00
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to bring to Council recommendations for grant funding arising from the October 27, 2022 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Report Date: January 10, 2023
Committee: Environmental Advisory Committee