

City of Lakewood

SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS

2011

Special Recognition Recipients

DEFENDER OF THE PLANET



Gold Crown Enrichment staff and Computer Clubhouse members, ages 10-18, began an initiative to build a community garden in April 2010. The project provides Lakewood's most underserved youth population with the opportunity to eat fresh vegetables, grow a sustainable community garden, learn about the importance of using the land in an environmentally friendly way, and to give back to their community by sharing their knowledge and produce with others.

Dennison Elementary School held an Earth Day event on April 22, 2010. The school's Boy Scout Troops along with the PTA worked with area businesses to offer "drive-thru" recycling for parents dropping off and picking up their children during the event. Aluminum cans, paper, plastic, video games, ink cartridges, used cell phones, laptops, and digital cameras were collected.

WarrenTech students studying Hospitality, Travel and Tourism developed a shampoo recycling program in 2010. Students collected partially used shampoo bottles (approximately 1,000 every two weeks) from area hotels, filled them up and donated them to the Jeffco Action Center. The students from Sharon Usher's WarrenTech class hope that the project will encourage others to collect unused shampoo and toiletries from their hotel stays and donate them to those in need.

