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Subject: Community Partners Recipient Announcement
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Hello and Good Morning!

Congratulations are in order...your affiliate has been selected as a recipient of a 2018 Community Partner Grant! Keep America Beautiful is thrilled to present you with the funding for these incredible projects about to take place across the country.

Attached is the final recipient list broken down by funding amount and alphabetized by state.

Please note the following for next steps:

- 1) **Press releases:** Both the national and local versions are still with the marketing team, once approved we'll email out to you ASAP. These are a great way to introduce yourself to your local Lowe's store if you haven't made the connection already. It's possible some store managers may not have seen the announcement from corporate offices yet so it's always helpful to bring along a hard copy for any in-store conversations.
- 2) **Tools:** If you need any help with social media posts or communications in general, please be sure to refer to the **KAB Project Manual** for help & guidelines on telling your story. The "Communications" section (pages 68 – 83) provides very detailed information on promoting your project/event and step by step instructions for tackling social media. To access the manual, log on to [Dashboard](#), under Information & Resources.
- 3) **Reporting:** due to KAB by **December 15, 2018**. Here is the [link](#) to complete the report and a PDF version is attached for your reference. The grant checks will be mailed out in the next 7 -10 business days, minus ten percent. Once the wrap up is completed, we'll send the remainder of the grant funds.
- 4) **Lowe's Heroes:** Please let me know if you think your project/event might have a good turnout of Lowe's Heroes (10+). Lowe's is looking to capture some footage for their website and may send photographers or videographers out to various project sites across the country. Kindly reply back to this email and we can discuss.

Thank you so much and please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions!

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Affiliate	State	Amount	Project Description:
I Love A Clean San Diego	CA	\$ 5,000	The Community Partners Grant Program will fund the restoration of Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park, a large city park in the Encanto community on San Diego's southeast side through a cleanup event that engages local residents, community leaders, and Lowe's employee volunteers, and 2) the expansion of ILACSD's park adoption program, which will provide long-term opportunities for volunteers to maintain public spaces in the Encanto neighborhood.
Keep North Miami Beautiful	FL	\$ 5,000	Grant funding will support a graffiti abatement project for the City and a facade revamp for local senior citizens.
Keep Lexington-Fayette Beautiful	KY	\$ 5,000	Lexington Fayette will establish a monarch waystation garden, refurbish existing wooden playground structure, and add native shade trees.
Keep Winston-Salem Beautiful, Inc.	NC	\$ 5,000	This will fund the Community Roots Day tree planting event during which hundreds of trees are planted in an area needed in the reestablishment of the urban forest canopy.
Keep Cass County Beautiful	NE	\$ 5,000	Proposal includes a park improvement project, to enhance the Unity Park and baseball field area and will include the addition of gazebo seating, landscaping, and improved trash and recycling containers.
Keep Northeast Nebraska Beautiful	NE	\$ 5,000	The project goals serve the objective of enhancing visitor experience by completing full landscaping; adding a pollinator garden of native plants near the Sacred Hoop; and refurbishing perennial beds.
Keep Knoxville Beautiful	TN	\$ 5,000	Keep Knoxville Beautiful will work with volunteers to enhance the beautification of two Knox County Schools by installing an outdoor classroom, with at least one school being located in Keep Knoxville Beautiful's Community of the Year.
Metro Nashville Beautification and Environment Co	TN	\$ 5,000	Through partnerships between Metro Beautification and Environment Commission and Hands on Nashville, trees and daffodils will be planted at public schools to provide shade and cool down hot recreational spaces, create outdoor classroom space that can be used as a teaching tool and improve the aesthetic appearance of the school grounds making the campus more inviting to students, parents, faculty and the surrounding community.
Keep Miles City Beautiful	MT	\$ 5,000	The specific goal of the West End Beautification and Trail project are to: - Encourage healthy lifestyles by providing safe and unobstructed paths. - Preserve and protect natural habitats for people and wildlife. - Beautify and enhance the existing trail with native trees and plants.
Keep Irving Beautiful	TX	\$ 5,000	The grant will be used to enhance the Adopt-a-Spot Program of Keep Irving Beautiful (KIB), by providing both ongoing support to the existing locations, as well as helping promote the adoption of new areas around the city and providing these volunteers with the supplies needed.
Keep San Saba Beautiful	TX	\$ 5,000	Rural San Saba - Downtown Beautification for Economic Development seeks to maintain/increase economic welfare by attracting tourists to the downtown shopping/dining area through beautification and planting projects.

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Keep California Beautiful	CA	\$ 10,000	Sac State's Bioconversion & Agricultural Collaborative (the BAC yard) will teach K-12 and College students in a hands-on learning environment through composting and food production, education, and Pollinator Habitat creation.

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Keep Highway Park Beautiful	FL	\$ 10,000	Highway Park will create the Highway Park Veterans Memorial Park, a "parklet" that would not only enhance the community aesthetically but will also serve to honor those who have sacrificed for our nation. The completed project will include plants, trees, flowers, lights (spot light and perimeter), a functioning water fountain, 25' flagpole (U.S. flag & POW flag), irrigation, sidewalks, benches, timers and a granite "memory" wall.
Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful	FL	\$ 10,000	Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful and its partners will work together to restore regional hiking trails in Hillsborough County.
Keep Detroit Beautiful	MI	\$ 10,000	Funds will create a Community Garden Solar Green house. Having a greenhouse will allow KDB to harvest seeds from the previous season and prepare for the next season. The community garden not only provides healthy fruits and vegetables for families but teaches self sustainability by using solar energy, composting, rain barrels, rain gardens/retentions etc.
Keep Genesee County Beautiful	MI	\$ 10,000	Funds will complete the remaining park improvements identified in the Park Improvement Plan created by the Adopt a Park volunteers at Sarginson Park and adopted by the City of Flint Planning Department.
Keep Canton Beautiful	MS	\$ 10,000	Keep Canton Beautiful would like to add a community co-op garden with an outdoor classroom/gathering area in close proximity to the city square.
Keep Diamondhead Beautiful	MS	\$ 10,000	The objective of this project is to replenish trees and improve the water quality, reduce flood risk and recharge the groundwater supplies by capturing and filtering stormwater. The goal is to provide a warm, welcoming and inviting atmosphere resulting in people wanting to spend more time in the community, purchase homes and enjoy the waterways.
Keep Mecklenburg Beautiful	NC	\$ 10,000	Keep Mecklenburg Beautiful (KMB) will partner with multiple community organizations in Charlotte to arrange a cleanup of a large illegal dumping site and several smaller litter cleanups and beautification projects centering around parks and streams.
Keep Beatrice Beautiful	NE	\$ 10,000	Construct a 30' x 30' ADA accessible picnic shelter to provide shade and shelter for youth and adults, complete with 6 recycled content picnic tables, at the Hannibal Park and Ball Diamond Complex.
Keep Cincinnati Beautiful	OH	\$ 10,000	Keep Cincinnati Beautiful is working with the Cincinnati Recreation Commission to restore a sense of identity and purpose to a neglected play area utilizing a multi-faceted, collaborative approach to community engagement and improvement.
Keep Mentor Beautiful	OH	\$ 10,000	This project will address the need to beautify a key gateway segment of State Route 306, a north-south roadway that is a gateway into the community that brings highway traffic into the city's retail / manufacturing districts.
OKC Beautiful	OK	\$ 10,000	The program seeks to familiarize school children with the concept of locally grown fruits and vegetables in an effort to combat the growing childhood obesity epidemic. The initiative further addresses the increasing problem of Oklahoma City "food deserts" (area marked by high poverty and lack of locally available fresh, affordable groceries and produce) through the installation and support of three outdoor garden classrooms.
Pride In McAlester / Keep McAlester Beautiful	OK	\$ 10,000	Pride In McAlester (PIM) will host a Household Hazardous Waste disposal event. This will provide a total of two opportunities for proper disposal to citizens of McAlester, Oklahoma, a rural community of just more than 18,000 citizens. The additional event will collect more than 5,000 pounds of chemicals and harmful materials, successfully removing them from the standard waste streams. As part of the Fall Cleanup, citizens will also discard hundreds of thousands of pounds of bulk trash, metal, tires, and electronics ensuring a comprehensive collection of any items citizens need to remove from their homes

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Keep Philadelphia Beautiful	PA	\$ 10,000	Keep Philadelphia Beautiful and the Philadelphia Parks Alliance will utilize this funding to establish cleanup tool libraries at five strategic recreation centers in Philadelphia. The goal is to build capacity for residents, civic organizations and recreation center staff to keep their neighborhoods litter free while reimagining these community hubs as sites for collective civic action.
Keep Denton Beautiful, Inc.	TX	\$ 10,000	The project's goal is to eliminate graffiti and revitalize a main community entryway into Historic Downtown Denton.
Keep Lewisville Beautiful	TX	\$ 10,000	Keep Lewisville Beautiful is partnering with the City and Lewisville Independent School District to increase pollinator habitat and native plantings by planting pollinator gardens and trees in an effort to beautify and improve 4+ acres of public spaces, outdoor learning areas, and trails that connect community parks and recreational areas.

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Keep Mobile Beautiful, Inc.	AL	\$ 20,000	The project "Bin There, Do That: Earth Friendly Choices for Recycling Green Waste" encourages recycling of green waste, resulting in compost by providing composting bins, tools, and training for urban community gardens.
Keep Indian River Beautiful	FL	\$ 20,000	Construct the first Lagoon Friendly Lawn Display Garden in a park adjacent to the Indian River Lagoon which will act a nutrient "buffer zone" to minimize non-point source pollution leaking into the Estuary in conjunction with a recognition based, education campaign for residents to convert to Lagoon Friendly Lawns.
Keep Lee County Beautiful, Inc.	FL	\$ 20,000	Creating a Regeneration Zone (recreated wetland and rain garden) within a larger public art and park project that incorporates pedestrian safety and environmental education at the entrance of the City of Fort Myers on the Alliance for the Arts campus, a local nonprofit community arts center.
Keep Pinellas Beautiful	FL	\$ 20,000	The "2018 Lealman Enhancement and Beautification Program" is a revitalization effort designed to provide interactive, natural experiences for the resident population of the Lealman Community through the installation of pollinator and community vegetable gardens at designated recreation centers, the continuation of beautification efforts at Joes Creek Greenway Park (i.e. Florida friendly landscaping including wild flowers, edible herbs, shade/fruit trees, etc.), and the implementation of community wide litter abatement initiatives.
Keep Alachua County Beautiful	FL	\$ 20,000	Keep Alachua County Beautiful will partner with GROWHUB to train disabled adults and empower and assist them with sustainable living through education, training and job opportunities in agriculture through the establishment of a landscape nursery.
Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful	GA	\$ 20,000	The Food Waste Warriors project empowers students to implement innovative strategies to reduce the volume of food waste in schools, while also providing fresh, nutritious food to families in community who are food insecure, and ultimately, reducing the environmental impacts of food waste.
Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, Inc.	IN	\$ 20,000	Through Keep Indianapolis Beautiful's (KIB) IPL Project GreenSpace program, KIB will work with Indianapolis' Shelton Heights neighborhood to transform an abandoned trailer park into a thriving community greenspace, providing residents with a place to gather, play, and enjoy nature as they strengthen social connections and build pride in where they live.
Keep Hammond Beautiful	LA	\$ 20,000	The City of Hammond proposes to purchase and install a new playstructure, playground equipment, safety surfacing, and amenities (e.g. bench swings, benches, picnic tables) in Cate Square Park to create a safer, more accessible, and more inclusive playspace for children, parents, grandparents, and guardians to engage in creative play/exercise, to socialize, and leisurely to enjoy the outdoors. Park will be ADA compliant and offer a tremendous improvement in safety—not just for children, but for walker and wheelchair-assisted visitors, some of whom used the park for physical therapy.

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Keep Jackson Beautiful, Inc.	MS	\$ 20,000	Keep Jackson Beautiful seeks to maintain, sustain and expand gardens and edible landscapes throughout the City of Jackson that are a part of the Jackson Community Garden Initiative; by creating two new permaculture orchards and revitalizing one existing garden using permaculture techniques.
Keep Omaha Beautiful	NE	\$ 20,000	The Sustainable Spaces: Growing Community, Knowledge, and Native Plants project is designed to promote community betterment and provide environmental education opportunities through the development of a new pollinator garden and rain garden on a roughly 15,000 square foot vacant lot in a high-need area of Omaha, Nebraska.
Keep Chaves County Beautiful	NM	\$ 20,000	The primary goal of the project is to give the residents a location to actually enjoy by organizing a volunteer-based litter clean-up. Once the area is free of debris, Chaves County will repair (or replace) fencing, repair (or replace) the basketball court, install a pipe drinking fountain, and plant trees. Additionally, they will work with neighborhood organizations to maintain the renovated park.
Green Youngstown	OH	\$ 20,000	The main goal is to provide a safe, clean place for Youngstown residents to exercise, walk their dogs, and enjoy nature. To accomplish this goal, the walking path in Lincoln Park needs to be cleaned up and protected from future illegal dumping. Green Youngstown will work with the Parks Department to install split-rail fencing along the walking path in the areas not already fenced in and also install solar-powered lighting on the ends of the path and security cameras along the path to discourage illegal dumping and other crime. Volunteers will construct a large wooden gate at the path end closest to the church property.
Keep Akron Beautiful	OH	\$ 20,000	Growing beyond the classroom will provide all students the ability to participate in hands on learning in a variety of ways within a greenhouse and will help the community by placing items grown from the greenhouse into locations all over Akron.
Keep Blair Beautiful	PA	\$ 20,000	The closure of the county recycling department and recycling drop-off system has left many residents without access to convenient recycling options. A lack of funding has also added to recycling programs being cut in the area. Many residents in these rural areas don't have any access to recycling and most of those residents with recycling access are lacking from convenient options. This proposed drop-off program addresses the need of convenient access and helps to relieve the funding difficulties by creating a revenue stream.
Keep Charleston Beautiful	SC	\$ 20,000	In collaboration with the Charleston Parks Conservancy, Keep Charleston Beautiful plans to construct a community garden in downtown Charleston, as a result providing fresh food for local food pantries, opportunities for community outreach and educational programming, and providing community members with the opportunity to lease garden plots and learn to garden naturally.
Keep Tyler Beautiful	TX	\$ 20,000	Remodeling Gassaway Park to create a safe, usable space for the community. This project would re-position all desperately needed park amenities to the top of the hill, provide an actual park entrance and signage, install a new basketball half-court, and plant an array of trees to fill in the area where the old park amenities used to sit.
Keep Dallas Beautiful	TX	\$ 20,000	Keep Dallas Beautiful is constructing a Therapeutic Healing Garden at the Dallas VA Medical Center to promote faster healing of injured veterans, show appreciation to those who served our country as well as improving the community's environmental quality. The goals include nine unique garden areas, occupational therapy stations honoring each branch of the military, concert spaces, semi-private sitting areas, game tables, greenhouse enhancements, a Monarch Butterfly waystation and a staff oasis.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have by their duly authorized representatives set their signatures.

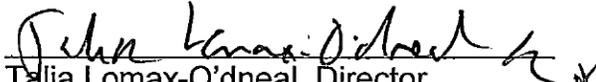
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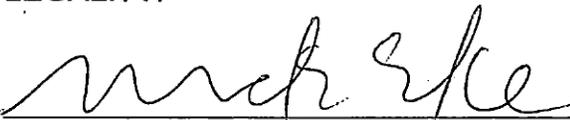


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