

## Sustainability Committee March Meeting Recap



The March 3 Sustainability Committee meeting focused on school garden initiatives, grant opportunities, and biodiversity restoration. **Miranda Smith** from **King Conservation District (KCD)** shared resources for school gardens, including free soil testing (nutrient and lead/arsenic) and Seed Money Grants for projects like raised beds and drip irrigation. **Cynthia Updegrave** from the **Washington Native Plant Society (WNPS)** highlighted the **YEER program** at Rose Hill Middle School, where 300 students restored 10,000 sq. ft. of habitat. Additionally, **Kali** from **Thoreau Elementary** shared successes from their Herbicide-Free program and their current **Ridwell Plastic Film Drive**. For support with King County Green School Program reach out to your designated representatives, school Name Starting (A – K) is Michelle Oakley ([moakley@triangleassociates.com](mailto:moakley@triangleassociates.com)) and L-T is Mahina Melim ([mmelim@triangleassociates.com](mailto:mmelim@triangleassociates.com)) and **LWSD Resource** Hannah Ljunggren ([hljunggren@lwsd.org](mailto:hljunggren@lwsd.org))

Meeting Resources include:

- [Slides](#)
- KCD Slide & [Seed Money Grant](#)
- [YEER & Video](#)
- [Herbicide Free School Ground Slide](#)
- [School Garden Checklist](#), [Best Practices for School Garden](#), [Safe Salad Bar](#)
- LWPTSA Green School Programs –[Mid-Year StatusSurvey](#)
- [Sustainability Fair](#)

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, April 7, 10:00–11:30 AM at LWSD Resource Center.

Topic: **Transportation**

Questions or success stories to share? Contact Council Sustainability Chair Chayanika Das at [Sustainability@LWPTSA.net](mailto:Sustainability@LWPTSA.net).

