

**2013-2014**

## **Bright Green Future Grants: Elementary School Recipients**

**Austin Discovery School's Rain Garden** will help address the safety problems caused by flooding from nearby Walnut Creek, as well as educate students about protecting water quality.

To get students outside and learning from nature, **Blackshear's Bridge Garden** will improve and maintain the school's sustainable campus, which is frequently used for student Enrichment Time.



**Cunningham's PEAS, or Partners for Education, Agriculture and Sustainability**, is a community garden that will be expanded to include a rain garden and gazebo that will double as an outdoor classroom.

**The GO (Growing Opportunities)** project at **Doss** will promote water conservation by using a rain-water harvesting system to capture and retain the water needed to irrigate a garden on campus.

**Foundation Communities' Afterschool Green** will provide afterschool and summer educational programming to over 700 K-12 students on water and energy conservation, waste reduction, and improving air quality.

**A Rain Collection System at Hill Elementary** will teach students about the importance of water conservation by using rain water to irrigate existing native plants on campus.

**The Explore, Restore & More** program at **Norman** will provide natural science education programming that features hands-on learning and habitat restoration work.

**Zavala's Cycle Academy** will encourage students to ride their bikes daily and safely, while the **Green Beacon Project** will rejuvenate the campus with native plants irrigated by a rainwater capturing system. In addition, a recycling station will be created that will be shared with the surrounding community.

**Pease's Outdoor Science and Learning Lab** will be a new outdoor classroom designed with recycled materials, and featuring a rainwater collection system and solar panels.

The new **Courtyard Pond at Perez Elementary** will supplement Food and Shelter resources already on campus, to help achieve certification from the National Wildlife Foundation as a Wildlife Habitat.

**Williams' Community Garden** will teach students and their families how to create, maintain, and harvest a garden, as well as provide access to healthier and more affordable food.

