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## 2019 Youth Philanthropy Project Grant Awards

Organization Name	Award Amount	Project Name	Project Description
Bellingham Bay Community Boating Center	\$440	Bioluminescence Paddles	Paddling through bioluminescence mixes on-the-water fun, environmental learning, and basic kayaking instruction. This program introduces underserved youth to marine ecology and environmental issues that affect even the "tiniest" and most delicate of marine life - phytoplankton.
Common Threads Farm	\$2,500	Soil Stewards - Feeding the Soil that Feeds our Kids	Regenerating soil ecosystems at 21 school gardens as beacons of change in their community.
Pacific Shellfish Institute	\$2,475	Garden of the Salish Sea - Salish Sea Stewards: 6th Grade Ocean Acidification Unit Pilot	Piloting a 6th Grade Ocean Acidification unit. By focusing on hands on science, carbon footprint reduction and community improvement projects, this school program empowers youth while cultivating watershed healthy habits that foster stewardship of our natural resources.
Western Washington University Foundation	\$2,500	Increasing equity for teens to prepare for careers that help the environment	Increasing equity for teens preparing for careers in environmental fields by helping low-income high school students access environmentally focused courses through Western's College Quest program, which immerses students in the college experience while allowing them to earn one credit.
Wild Whatcom	\$2,085	EMPOWER: Outdoor education at Sterling Meadows	Addressing the nature deficit too often present in underserved communities by providing exuberant outdoor excursions to kids and families at Sterling Meadows, a farm-worker family residence. EMPOWER will also train Latinx high school students who are interested in environmental education.
	<u>\$10,000</u>		