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Grants Awarded for "Green Schools" Service-Learning Projects

Auburn, Maine – KIDS Consortium is pleased to announce that over 30 grants totaling \$21,000 were awarded to K-12 schools around New England for "Green" service-learning projects, such as recycling, energy efficiency and community gardens. Students involved in these projects will also have an opportunity to participate in a 2010 Green Schools Student Summit where they will share their projects with students from around the region. Funding for this initiative is provided by grants from the State Farm Youth Advisory Board, the Horizon Foundation, the Sam L. Cohen Foundation, L.L. Bean, and Poland Spring Water.

For a complete list of projects, please visit: <http://www.kidsconsortium.org/greenschools.php>

Based in Auburn, Maine, KIDS (Kids Involved Doing Service-Learning) Consortium helps transform classrooms and communities through an award-winning educational model that has touched more than a quarter-million students across New England and New York. The mission of KIDS Consortium is to prepare young people to be active and responsible citizens by training and supporting educators, community organizations, and youth in best practices for service-learning. Through service-learning, K-12 students identify, research and address real community challenges, using knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.