

**SHARE distributed a total of \$7500 in grants to several very worthy organizations:**

**Inner City Outings:** An affiliate of the Sierra Club providing community outreach activities for youth in urban areas to help young people develop an appreciation for and learn of the need to protect the natural environment by participating in wilderness outings, environmental activities, and outdoor education.

Website: <http://ico.sierraclub.org/harrisburg/pages/home.htm>

**Danzante Community School of the Arts:** To support the recycled art classes of the Danzante After-School Arts Program. Karen Lee Newman teaches the children to make attractive, usable, practical and/or decorative pieces using found objects, empty cereal containers, plastic bags, and many other types of society's throwaways. The students gain a greater awareness about the litter problems in their environment through the understanding that throwaways can be valuable.

Website: [http://www.danzante.org/about\\_our\\_organization/default.asp](http://www.danzante.org/about_our_organization/default.asp)

**Sandpoint Waldorf School:** Biodynamic Greenhouse Program to be operated by the students, teachers and community volunteers to provide educational opportunities for SWS students (i.e., botany, economics, organic agriculture, community building) as well as to provide locally grown and organic foods for SWS families and the Sandpoint community, with possible surplus produce going to local food banks.

**Tim Stack:** For transport, tools and materials to spend 1- 2 weeks in New Orleans working with Plenty International in renovating houses that were damaged or destroyed by hurricane Katrina. The project involved "green" building techniques, as well as general culture sharing between the environmental activist community and the New Orleans residents.

**Adventure and Special Days Together:** An entirely volunteer program which provides a variety of activities to help families meet the social and recreational needs of families living with autism disorder. The Nature Adventure Weekend participants come together for a weekend retreat to create a supportive intentional community, in an environment where the families can relax and foster the children's interest in, and comfort with, their natural environment.

**Yaak Valley Forest Council:** An organization founded to protect the last remaining roadless cores in the Yaak Valley, located in the northwest corner of Montana. We are helping to fund the startup of an ongoing Yaak Community Conservation Education program, which focuses on the general ecological importance of the Yaak Valley region, as well as the technical aspects of conservation ecology, including habitat restoration demonstration projects, forest monitoring methodologies, and how citizens can become more informed.

Website: <http://www.yaakvalley.org/>

**Plenty Belize:** A registered non-governmental organization based in Punta Gorda Town in the Toledo District, to assist indigenous Mayan, Garifuna and other local community-based groups in their efforts to create and maintain economically viable and environmentally sustainable activities from organic farming to crafts production to ecotourism. They also implement a small number of their own projects in health, nutrition and other efforts, in close liaison with local agencies.

Website: <http://www.plenty.org/belizeprojects.htm>