

## **LBK Garden Club 2022-2023 Grant Summary**

### **Marie Selby Botanical Gardens - \$2,000**

The LBKGC grant will provide eight (8) needs-based scholarships for Camp Lookout, a summer camp designed for nature lovers entering first through fifth grade. This year, the themes of the four sessions include "Plant Power," "Magical Marine Life," "Scientific Survivors," and "Factual Florida."

### **Marie Selby Botanical Gardens - \$2,500**

The grant will cover one full-day educational tour of Marie Selby Gardens Sarasota and then excursion by boat to Historic Spanish Point for underserved children in the community, many of whom have never been on the water before. The boat holds 36 children and adult chaperones.

### **Mote Marine Laboratory - \$3,900**

Six (6) needs-based one-week camperships will be covered. The camp supports marine STEM education to increase educational access for individuals whom the National Science Foundation defines as being underrepresented and underserved in the sciences. Includes all materials and snacks.

### **Mote Marine Laboratory - \$3,500**

Mote Aquaculture Research Park (MAP) was constructed in 2001 to pioneer the development of sustainable aquaculture technology to help feed the world, restock depleted species, and address the need to develop a viable domestic aquaculture industry. Recently, the program received funding from the Wolf Foundation to pilot a facility that has the capacity to produce fish and vegetables year-round. This grant will help connect the water systems in these modules together to provide adequate nutrients to the sea.

### **Save our Seabirds - \$7,000**

The Bird Habitat Project is being launched with the planning and construction of 32 new avian habitats. The aviaries house SOS's non-releasable resident birds in a natural setting. A native plant landscape designer will be hired to layout and source the plants. This grant is part of a \$50k project.

### **Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota & DeSoto Counties - \$5,000**

The LBK Garden Club grant will provide summer enrichment field trips to Mote, Selby, and other environmentally focused organizations for students of BGCSDC of Newtown who cannot otherwise afford to participate given the \$6 per field trip cost. This will allow at least one trip per student.

### **Longboat Key Turtle Watch - \$2,500**

The grant money will be used to print educational materials for the annual "Flip a Switch Make a Move" campaign. Materials include table tents, coasters, window clings, chair tags, and door hangers. The grant money will also be used to pay for the Chamber Visitor Guide ad. The primary goal is to bring conservation awareness to residents and visitors about turtle season.

### **Southside Elementary School - \$2,000**

The Green Team at Southside provides a weekly opportunity for students to learn in an edible garden comprised of around 200 earth boxes for 33 classes. The funds will be used to purchase supplies for the garden.

**St. Martha's Catholic Elementary School - \$2,000**

The grant will cover supplies for the garden including new plants, compost bins, soil and educational materials. The school maintains tower gardens, raised bed gardens, hydroponic tower gardens, butterfly garden, butterfly habitat, solitary beehive, compost bins, rain barrels, meditation garden, water refill stations, Fresh salad from the garden is available for each school lunch.

**Longboat Key Center for Healthy Living - Paradise Center - \$2,000**

Funds will be used to maintain the garden beds and add more planting cycles throughout the year. It includes garden materials (soil, fertilizer, plants, and any necessary tools). The Center will provide herbs/vegetables for donations.

**Florida Maritime Museum - \$2,600**

The grant will cover the installation of native plants at the entrance to the museum and in the mosaic butterfly garden.