




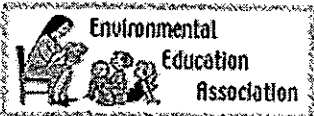

Environmental Action Simulation

Each member of your group is part of a committee for an Environmental Organization, GCEAO (Granite City Environmental Action Organization). The GCEAO has 20,000 dollars to allot to environmental programs. Many groups have submitted their applications to receive this money. **Your team's job is to determine how the 20,000 dollars should be spent.**

Roles:

Secretary	Keeps track of group decisions, and monies spent
Reader	Reads applications/instructions
Community Members	Discuss the applications and determine which causes will receive money. These members most likely will want to keep money within the community and donate toward local causes
Activists	These members are active in politics across the country, they will lobby toward global causes.

Applications:

	1,000 donated to this organization will help save 4 orphaned orangutans and pay for their rehabilitation and eventual release back into the wild. You may opt to spend more than 1,000 for this cause.
	1,000 donated to this organization will help feed and house 5 dogs and 10 cats for a year. You may opt to spend more money to help more animals. The shelter also provides low cost spaying and neutering for pets to help prevent pet overpopulation.
	This local organization is dedicated to cleaning up creeks and natural water supplies in the area. They not only beautify the area but clean up pollution caused by chemicals and trash. This company is asking for 5,000 to help restore your local creeks.
	This organization is asking for 4,000 dollars to help with education. They go to local schools to teach children about environmental concerns and organize Earth Day Celebrations at local schools.
	This is a national organization whose job is to lobby governmental officials and see that environmentally friendly laws are passed. The Clean Air Act and the Endangered Species Act were passed due to efforts from this organization. They are requesting 5,000 that will help them continue their efforts



Feeding Children Better is a national organization that travels to impoverished countries and helps to feed children (and adults). In addition, this group helps communities set up farm and clean water supplies so that hunger across the world can be decreased. They are requesting 10,000 to fund an operation in Africa to help the people there.



Granite City Steelworkers for the Betterment of the Environment is a local group organized by workers of the steel mill. They are requesting 15,000 to add a special filter to the smokestack that will reduce the pollution in Granite City by 80%.



Innovative Designs is a non-profit company that researches alternate energy sources, such as solar and electric power. They are currently researching a car that will run entirely on corn oil (a renewable resource). A request of 20,000 will help them complete the design and functioning of this car.



PrairieLand Agriculture is a biological company that is dedicated to developing pest resistance crops. Such crops would reduce the need to put chemicals onto the land and improve the overall environment of the prairie ecosystem. 10,000 will go toward research.



Recycle USA is a national company that operates locally. For \$10,000 the company will set up a recycle center in your community. Recycling will reduce the amount of waste going to the landfill and be self sustaining, money from the center will be returned to the community.



This organization buys land and designates it as a protected area. The land is used as a habitat for threatened animals, such as wolves, and for non threatened animals such as deer and rabbits. The organization is requesting \$15,000 to buy 50 acres of land near your community that will be preserved for wildlife.



This is a global organization that is dedicated to saving the rainforests in Africa, Asia, and South America. A \$10,000 donation will save 500 acres of rainforest and help prevent species extinction for several animals and plants native to the rainforest.



Save the Whales provided money to help endangered whales. \$1,000 will save 1 whale per year.



An organization devoted to education in impoverished countries. They provide services that help women make responsible choices about their reproduction, and reduce the area's overall population growth. \$15,000 will provide a clinic in a country that will provide women with birth control.