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*Please Join us on the  
Great Green Quest!*

Dear Friend of Houston Wilderness,

Please join us as we launch the 2017 GREAT GREEN QUEST! As a friend of Houston Wilderness, we are sure that you already understand that getting kids out into nature helps make the whole family 'healthier, happier and smarter'. Houston Wilderness believes creating young nature lovers today will ensure that we are also creating stewards of an ecologically rich region for tomorrow.

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The Great Green Quest (GGQ) highlights the eco-adventure passport developed by Houston Wilderness that challenges everyone to get outside over the summer months and explore the parks, preserves, nature centers and wildlife refuges of the 10 ecoregions in and around the Houston area. "Questers" are eligible for fun prizes and anyone who visits all ten ecoregions gets bragging rights as a "Gold Quester." This year, we have grown the GGQ to include a "Green Jobs" version of the Wilderness Passport that provides information on the educational pathways that lead to careers in an environmental field and a "Careers in Conservation" graduate-level scholarship program open to interns and staff of our Network Partner organizations.

**The GREAT GREEN QUEST is entirely funded by sponsors; there is no cost for the passports to the participating schools, community centers, youth groups or libraries.** The GREAT GREEN QUEST works best when we can get more passports into the hands of more kids and families. Now, with the new "Green Jobs" Passport and "Careers in Conservation" Scholarship, the Great Green Quest is expanding its reach – by getting students out into nature and providing them with pathways to careers in environmental science.

**We want you to consider supporting the QUEST by becoming a sponsor.** Information on sponsorship opportunities is attached. Please help us engage students for today and environmental stewards for tomorrow!

You may also give by going to: [houstonwilderness.org/donate](http://houstonwilderness.org/donate). Please direct any questions about the *Great Green Quest* to Holly Thorson at (713)524-7330 or [holly@houstonwilderness.org](mailto:holly@houstonwilderness.org).

Sincerely,

Deborah January-Bevers  
President and CEO

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GGQ!**

**SPONSOR A SCHOLARSHIP**

New! Sponsor the graduate-level "Careers in Conservation" Scholarship open to interns and staff of our Network Partners.

**SUPPORT CAREER PATHWAYS**

New! Support the printing and distribution of the "Green Career Pathways" version of the Wilderness Passport.

**SPONSOR PASSPORTS**

Sponsor Passports for neighborhood schools, community centers, youth groups, and libraries.

**BE A "QUESTER"**

Join the Quest as a family or rugged individualist.

Tricia Brasseaux  
GGQ Committee Chair