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GLENDALE WINS GOVERNOR'S PRIDE AWARD

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The city of Glendale recently received a Governor's Pride in Arizona Award for Water Conservation. The award, sponsored by Arizona Clean and Beautiful, recognized the "Art in the Garden" water education project developed by the Glendale Water Conservation Office.

The Art in the Garden project provided fun and interactive activities for school aged children by integrating art making with water education. The hands-on activities motivated children and inspired the local community. More than 250 youth and adult participants were involved in making the water conservation-themed artwork come to life. Their collective efforts resulted in the creation of two permanent sculptures, entitled "The Blue Planet" and "The Watershed" and a 20-foot wall entitled, "Desert Plant and Animal Adaptations." The functional and enduring artwork, located in the Glendale Xeriscape Demonstration Garden at the Glendale Public Library, demonstrates the importance of responsible water use for present and future generations.

The innovative project was made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Arizona Commission on the Arts, and the city of Glendale. Art in the Garden also received an Award of Merit for Environmental Excellence from the Valley Forward Association. To learn more about the city of Glendale water conservation programs, visit

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