

Dear friend,

Please donate to Red Butte Garden today so you can support a lifetime of learning for all our friends!

Some of Red Butte Garden’s younger friends tell us they enjoyed seeing and smelling a variety of plants:

“Thank you for showing us all the plants that we did not know about-like rabbit bush and curlycup gumweed.”

“I liked the plant that smelled like chocolate.”

Others were interested in the outdoor adventures:

“I’m glad that I fell in the mud because it’s not an adventure until you get messy!”

“My favorite part was when we went on the hike, and I saw the baby gopher snake.”

“The funniest part was when we heard something in the bushes, and we thought it was a snake! It was just a hopping bird.”

Some of our young visitors enjoyed using their critical thinking skills:

“Thank you for showing us and talking about biotic and abiotic things.”

Yet, after reading through all the thank you notes and talking to hundreds of our young friends, one comment is unanimous —

“I can’t wait to come back!”

Red Butte Garden has been delivering award-winning educational programs to elementary school students throughout Utah for the past twenty years. These programs provide students with research-based inquiry learning that aligns with the Utah State Core Curriculum standards and makes science fun, engaging, and interactive. The Garden’s most popular programs include Botany Bins, Grow Lab, field trips, and summer camps.

## BOTANY BINS

Botany Bins are resource kits equipped with lessons, touchable plant specimens, posters, magnifying lenses, flower presses, and reproducible materials to be used in the classroom. These bins are free to all Utah teachers and can be checked out at locations throughout the state. The Garden has already developed two modules, “Ethnobotany: People and Plants” as well as “Conserving Water in the Desert,” that have reached over 3,000 students and teachers. This year, the Garden is developing a new module, “Patterns and Partnership: An Introduction to Botany.”

## GROW LAB

Students and teachers love this inquiry based, hands-on science program. The Grow Lab Program is designed around the Wisconsin Fast Plants Program, in which the plant matures from seed to full size in 40 days. Each student plants their own seed and learns about plant parts, germination, flowering, pollination, fruit development, and seed dispersal. The Grow Lab Program is provided at no cost to Utah’s 1st grade teachers in public and charter schools.

## FIELD TRIPS

Two-hour guided field trips are designed to meet the standards and objectives of the Utah State Core Curriculum at each grade level, focusing on the hands-on activities that are sure to thrill students of all ages. Our 3rd grade explorers enjoy learning about adaptations of native plants and animals while hiking through the Natural Area of the Garden, and our 4th grade naturalists study the Garden’s ecosystems and habitats. The Garden’s field trips are free to all public and charter schools.

## SUMMER CAMPS

At Red Butte Garden’s summer camps, our students participate in fun and unique science experiments, art projects, and Garden explorations. Camps are available for Children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade. Sign your adventurer up for camps such as “Messy Madness,” “Into the Woods,” “Garden Tails,” and “Up Close with Insects.”

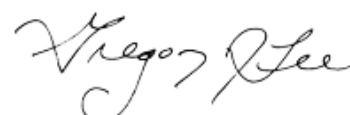
**Please consider a donation today!**

We promise to do our part by continuing to provide programming that keeps all of our visitors wanting to come back.

Gratefully,



Patrick Newman  
Director of Programs



Gregory J. Lee, Ph.D.  
Executive Director

P.S. We’ve made it easy for you do your part to spark a child’s curiosity – just use the enclosed envelope for your donation, or go online to [www.redbuttegarden.org/give](http://www.redbuttegarden.org/give).

