

Healthy Soils Final Report
Backyard Composting Workshops
Defiance Soil & Water Conservation District
Stephanie Singer, Upper Maumee Watershed Coordinator, Grant Administrator

- Project completion date- Dec. 2014
- Major accomplishments, examples of successful initiatives
 - 3 Compost Workshops at local public libraries
 - March 31, Hicksville Library, 12 people attended
 - April 3, 2014, Defiance Library- 16 participants
 - April 5, 2014 Sherwood Library- 13 participants
 - Total- 41 people attended, Sold 21 compost bins (two of them to be used at Hicksville Elementary School)
 - 2 Public Screenings of DIRT! The Movie on March 10, 2014 and Nov. 8, 2014
 - Educator Vermicomposting Workshop on Oct. 8, 2013, 7 people attended, 7 worms bins made
 - Vermicomposting program for all 5th grade classes at Hicksville Elementary, 6 classes/120 students, 6 vermicomposting bins made. The 5th has plans to start a school wide composting program using outside bins and worm bins in the classroom.
 - Vermicomposting at the 2013 and 2014 Defiance County 6th grade school tour. 250 student attended the program in 2013 and 280 students attended the program 2014.
 - Vermicomposting program at the 2014 Defiance County Fair
 - Vermicomposting for the 6th grade students at Holy Cross School
- Variations from the original proposal
 - It was proposed to sell 27 compost bins during the year and we sold 21. We spent more than proposed amount of money on red wiggler worm and plastic bins as there was additional interest in starting worm bins. We also spent \$125 for venue rental for the public screening of DIRT! The Movie.
- Budget summary **including amount of cash and in-kind match provided** (please delineate matching cash and in-kind funds from grant funds spent)
 - Please see attached spreadsheet.
- Plans for use of remaining funds (if they exist)
 - No funds remain
- Program evaluation and plans for continuation
 - The programs were well received by adult participants, students, and teachers. We plan to continue to sell compost bins and also provide worm composting programs and bins as requested.
- Suggestions for improving similar future projects
 - None
- Examples of any print materials or media coverage generated by your project.
 - See Attached



"THOUGHT PROVOKING...WELCOME HUMOR AND VISUAL PIZAZZ"
 -Andrew Barker, Variety

A story with heart and soil.

FREE COMMUNITY SCREENING!
MONDAY MARCH 10TH AT 6:30 PM
SECOND STORY
201 CLINTON STREET 'SUITE A'
IN DEFIANCE

free! Composting Workshops:

- March 31st 6-7 pm at Johnson Memorial Library in Hicksville
- April 3rd 6:30-7:30 pm at Defiance Library
- April 5th 10-11 am at Sherwood Library

dirt!
THE MOVIE

Register w/ Stephanie Singer
 ssinger@defiance-county.com

"THE FILM EXCELS!"
 -Tamara Krinsky, Documentary Magazine

"UPLIFTING"
 -Emily Cataneo, The Independent

"FUN AND ACCESSIBLE"
 -Shannon L. Bowen, The Hollywood Reporter

COMMON GROUND MEDIA PRESENTS "DIRT THE MOVIE" A FILM BY BILL BENENSON AND GENE ROSOW NARRATED BY JAMIE LEE CURTIS
 MUSIC BY JORGE CORANTE ADDITIONAL MUSIC BY LUDOVICO EINAUDI SOUND DESIGN MICHAEL KOWALSKI EDITED BY JONATHAN P. SHAW, BRIAN SINGBIEL AND ALEXANDRA KOMISARUK
 ASSOCIATE PRODUCERS TRACY J. BROWN, MARISA MURGATROYD, CHRISTINE DEITNER AND TYLER HARBOUR CO-DIRECTED BY ELEONORE DAILLY
 BASED ON THE BOOK "DIRT: THE ECSTATE SKIN OF THE EARTH" BY WILLIAM BRYANT LOGAN NARRATION GENE ROSOW LINDA POST LAURIE BENENSON EXECUTIVE PRODUCER LAURIE BENENSON
 PRODUCED BY BILL BENENSON, GENE ROSOW AND ELEONORE DAILLY DIRECTED BY BILL BENENSON AND GENE ROSOW



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www.DirtTheMovie.org

Tuesday, October, 8, 2013

Agenda:

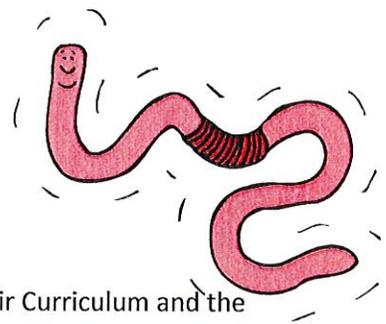
4:30 Food & introductions

4:45 Edible Horizons Soil Cup

5:00 Composting and Worm bins

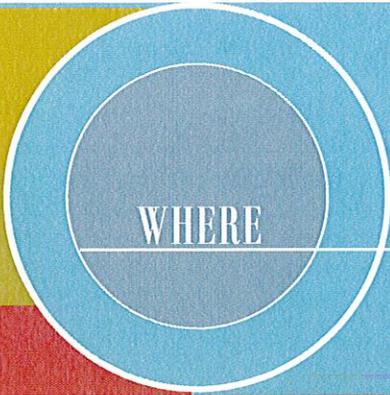
5:45 Find a Worm in the Field

6:00 Soil Cups & Properties of Rocks



Worm Composting Workshop

Designed for Educators looking to incorporate worm composting and soil into their Curriculum and the basics of vermicomposting and worm bin designs.



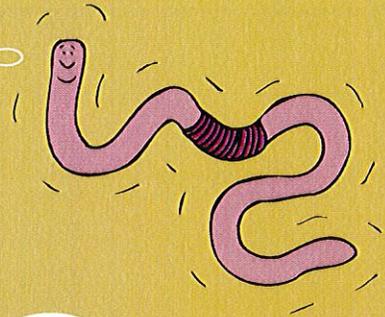
Defiance
419-782-8751
Soil & Water Conservation District

6879 Evansport Road, Defiance

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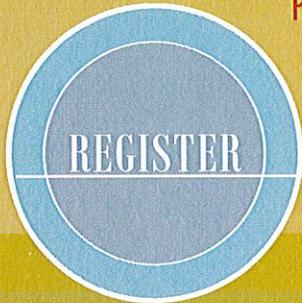
*Addresses
2nd Grade
Science Standards!*



Tuesday October 8th, 2013



4:30 –6:30 pm



Please register by October 1st at (419) 782-8751.
Fee is \$5- includes pizza/drink and materials to start a worm bin.