



# Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots USA

## **Roots & Shoots – Tampa Bay Basecamp Spring 2024 Project Grant Awards**

### **Dowdell Middle School**

Dowdell Middle School is a title one school in the heart of Tampa and a magnet school for environmental and animal science studies. The Green Team, a student-led club, has run a school wide recycling program and maintained a compost bin, gathering materials suitable for the bin from student lunches. With support from the grant, they will create a DCC!- Dolphin Clean-Up to tackle an abundance of litter that accumulates between the school and the neighborhood, which includes a Girls Club, a library as well as an elementary school-

### **Charley Rose D**

After visiting Owl's Nest Sanctuary, Charley Rose fell in love with the animals being cared for and rehabilitated to go back into the wild. However, some animals - because of their injury or age - are unable to return to their natural habitat, and Charley Rose wanted to create a toy or activity to help keep these wild animals sharp on their skills. She will use the grant to research and create activities that are safe and specific to the animals' needs.

### **Nativity Catholic School**

Building on the success of the Nativity School Garden, the STREAM elective class at Nativity Catholic School has designed a Pasta Garden Project. Students will cultivate tomatoes, basil, and garlic and make pasta sauce alongside pasta from scratch. By preparing and sharing a meal, students will learn about cooking techniques, meal planning, food safety, and healthy eating habits.

### **Sophie F**

In response to a pressing need for better environmental practices and more green space, Sophie will lead the Student Government Association at Sickles High School in planting a pollinator garden on campus. This initiative serves to beautify the school while contributing to broader environmental conservation efforts.