



Erb Family Foundation



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The ROMEO DISTRICT LIBRARY has joined the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, Project S.N.A.P. (Share, Nurture, Act, Preserve), and the public libraries of Canton, Westland, Oak Park, and Dearborn Heights to bring **ACTION for EARTH**, a six-month environmental stewardship campaign, to our community from January 2010 - June 2010.

This exciting pilot project is funded by the Erb Family Foundation and strives to teach children the science behind our environmental challenges and inspire them to be responsible environmental leaders.

A key component of this project is the involvement of **20 families from Romeo, Bruce, and Washington with children in K-8 classes** to become leaders in our local environmental stewardship efforts. These families must be willing to commit their time and energy toward the ACTION for EARTH project. The families will:

- Participate in two (2) Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum* workshops at the GRAUBNER LIBRARY on Sunday, January 31, 2010 and Sunday, February 21, 2010 from 1:30 – 2:30. At these workshops, families will have fun while learning the science behind our community’s environmental challenges.
- Participate in a community-wide Mosaic Mural Project led by the nationally known Project S.N.A.P.. Project S.N.A.P. staff will be at the GRAUBNER LIBRARY on Sunday, March 21, 2010 from 1:30 – 2:30 pm. Paper and markers will be available at the Graubner Library and other community locations throughout the following week.**
- Participate in a community-wide event on Sunday, April 25, 2010. While this will be the grand finale for ACTION FOR EARTH, it will also be the start of our community’s new focus on environmental stewardship.

If you are or know a family with leadership potential who can help make this phenomenal opportunity a lasting success that will benefit the entire community for years to come, **Call Donna Picklo at the Graubner Library, 752.0603, ext 1017 or send an email to picklod@libcoop.net** to sign up or for more information. We would like to have all 20 families on board by Friday, January 22, 2010.

* The Mission of the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum is to inspire people to discover the wonder of science, math and technology. The Museum’s Vision is to be the leader in imaginative and interactive learning experiences. Museum staff will roll up, roll in and set up — taking the mystery out of science and presenting fun, inquiry-based programs directly to participants at the Graubner Library. Museum programs provide exciting learning opportunities that engage all students. For more information, visit their website: <http://www.aahom.org>.

**The mission of Project S.N.A.P. is to help students and families develop the key skills and insights necessary to become socially responsible leaders. Under the direction of the Project S.N.A.P. team, participants will create artwork focused on the environmental challenges facing the Romeo area. Individual drawings will be transformed into the “big picture”, a giant mosaic mural made up of everyone’s pictures. When completed, the giant mosaic mural will be permanently displayed at the Graubner and Kezar Libraries. Participants will be able to share their individual artworks with family and friends using the online Web Gallery and come to the library and find their artwork in the mosaic mural. Each participating family will also receive a limited edition lithograph of the mosaic mural they help to create. For more information, visit their website: <http://www.projectsnap.org/>.