

Village of Glenview

## The Environment and Natural Resources Commission

- Charged with preserving, conserving, enhancing, protecting and raising awareness of the environment, natural resources and environmental values of the Village, including the quality of land, air and water, and the interrelationships that exist among and between them and all living things within the Village limits.
- Sponsors of the annual Environmental Sustainability Awards program that recognizes organizations in or serving Glenview that are taking the lead with environmental stewardship, innovative best practices and community outreach.
- This is the sixth year that the Environmental Sustainability Awards have been presented.



#### Overview of the Awards

- What The Environmental Sustainability Awards are annually organized by the Environment & Natural Resources Commission to recognize organizations taking the lead with environmental stewardship, innovative best practices and community outreach.
- Why To encourage collaboration related to environmental sustainability; increase awareness of sustainable practices; and support initiatives to lead, drive and influence sustainability.
- Who Nominees can be any organization that serve the Glenview community, such as businesses, schools, houses of worship and volunteer groups.



#### **Awards Categories**

• Innovation – How has a new practice improved sustainability and is a departure from the current practice?

• Leadership – How has the organization demonstrated that its practices are above and beyond the norm and has influenced others?

• Education & Outreach – What action has an organization taken to influence its employees, members, customers or others to improve sustainable practices?





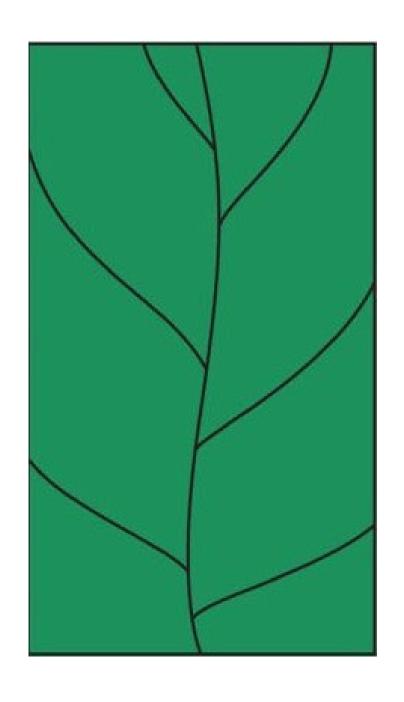
#### Innovation: Greener Glenview

Greener Glenview began the Glenview Native Habitat program with the goal of increasing the number of native and connected habitats in our community.

The effort is in partnership with the National Wildlife Federation and was funded in part with a Judy Beck Grant. Eleven ambassadors promoted the program at community events by distributing information and seed packets to establish gardens.

Greener Glenview has received a very favorable response from homeowners with certified habitats who are interested in spreading the word about the importance of creating wildlife corridors.







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#### **Greener Glenview**

2023 Innovation

## Innovation: Princeton Village Homeowners Association

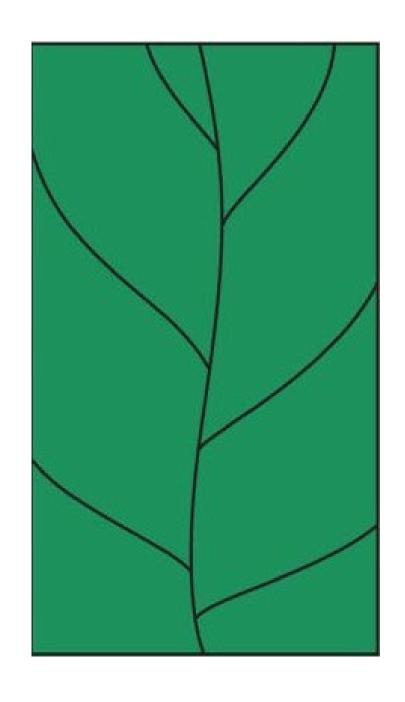
Princeton Village is a large development in Glenview with more than 1,000 trees. The homeowners association followed the example of the Village of Glenview and Glenview Park District to conduct a tree inventory to understand the diversity of the community's trees and maintain the tree canopy for future residents to enjoy.

An arborist measured and assessed the health of each of the community's trees. With this information they were able to plan for routine maintenance and prioritize trees that need additional care to ensure their longevity.

The effort is not often done by homeowners associations also promotes community engagement. It will become part of their long-term planning.









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#### Princeton Village Homeowners Association

2023 Innovation

#### Innovation: Saints Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church

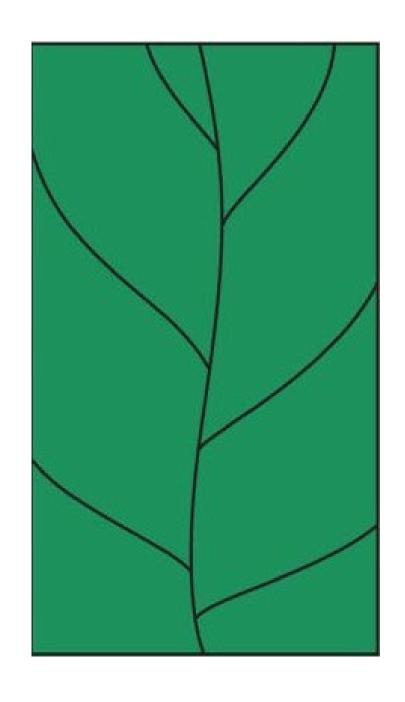
Saints Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church has an active environmental ministry whose members were called to action to protect the environment.

This call led them to investigate how solar panels could be installed on the church campus to provide power to the electric grid. They were able to install 283 solar panels on a building rooftop to introduce sustainable energy to the church community and others in the area.

The system is expected to provide power for well over two decades and was financed by a church steward and available incentives. It will provide 150,000 kWh annually and as many as 4 million kWh over its lifetime.









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## Saints Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church

2023 Innovation

## **Education and Outreach: Village Treasure House**

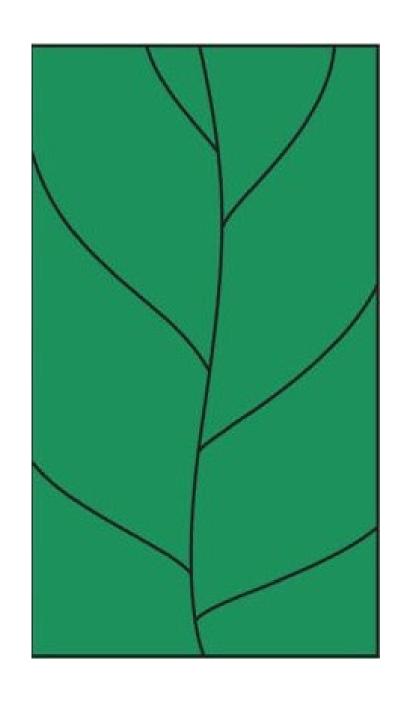
Village Treasure House is a Glenview-based nonprofit that was established in 1997 and raises funds though the resale of furniture and home furnishings. Their education and outreach to the community resulted in over 15,000 items being "re-homed" in the first nine months of 2023.

Re-use is even part of the smallest details. They reuse as many materials as possible, including bags, ribbon, wrapping paper and tags, and encourage donation of these materials. This kind of re-use has reduced their purchase of packing supplies to just one order in 2023 and allows more funds to go back to the programs they support.

They recently started accepting donations of certain silver housewares for recycling and the funds from selling the metal will help to support the local agencies even more.









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#### Village Treasure House

2023 Education and Outreach

# Education and Outreach: Valley Lo Towers I Recycling Team

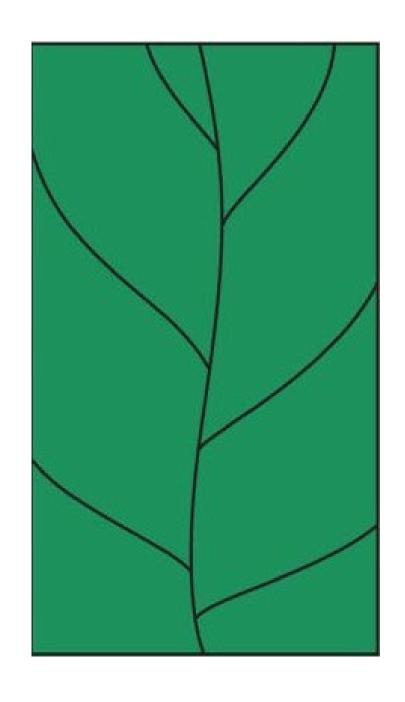
The Valley Lo Towers I (VLTI) Recycling Team's goal is to reduce waste through promoting the best recycling, re-use and disposal practices to the building's residents.

To expand recycling and re-use the team created creative education and outreach materials for their website, emails, bulletin boards, residential flyers, garage signage and an impressive Recycling Guide specifically for their building.

The Recycling Guide was a major project that engaged SWANCC and Groot to inform residents how to recycle a wide range of household products. This resulted in a website full of great recycling information that has results in more recycling and less contamination in their waste stream.









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### Valley Lo Towers I Recycling Team

2023 Education and Outreach