

Crescent Valley Alliance was formed by Gig Harbor and Crescent Valley residents in the fall of 2006 as a result of a wildlife survey by landowners, governmental and environmental agencies. This study confirmed that the Crescent Valley's Riparian System (Crescent Lake, Creek and Estuary), comprises one of the most pristine, biologically rich watersheds in Pierce County and worthy of protection. A Conservation Action Plan was written identifying potential threats to the quality of this environment and establishing measures to ensure its preservation.

Crescent Valley Alliance is a community wide effort that depends on volunteers for a variety of activities.

Volunteer opportunities include:

- Communication and publicity
- Liaisons with government, community and business groups
- Education and information outreach
- Demonstration gardens

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National Wildlife Federation
Pierce County
Washington Dept of Fish & Wildlife
Washington Bio-diversity Council
PenMet Parks
Friends of Pierce County
Harbor WildWatch
The City of Gig Harbor

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Winner of the 2007 Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife *Organization of the Year* Award

Winner of *The Arbor Day Stewardship Award* given on April 2008 by the Gig Harbor/Key Peninsula Arbor Day Foundation

A STEWARDSHIP PROJECT

for residents and friends of Crescent Valley,
Gig Harbor, Washington

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our mission

Crescent Valley Alliance encourages responsible stewardship of Crescent Lake, Creek and Estuary through education, communication, and cooperation. We strive to protect the watershed and enhance its native biodiversity for ourselves and future generations.

our vision

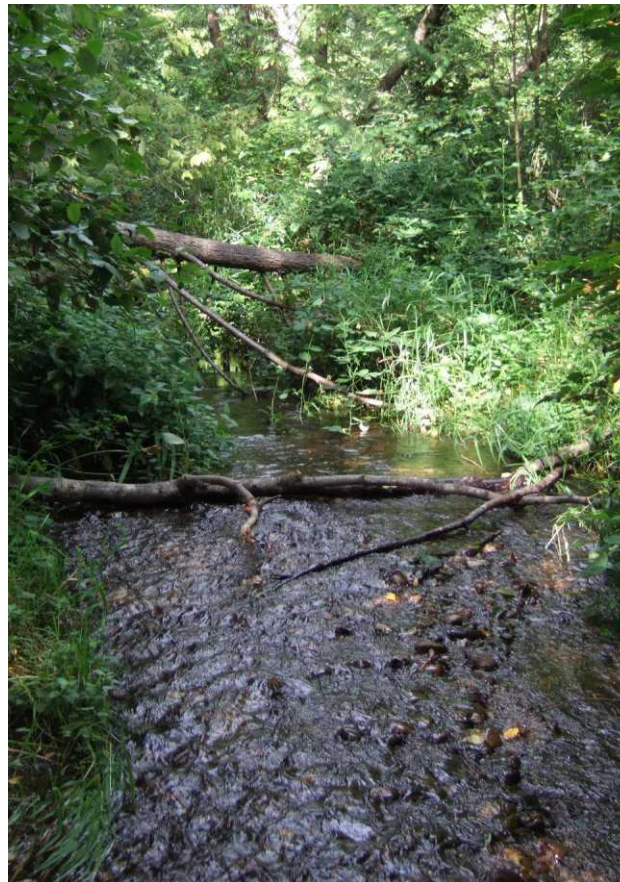
1. A watershed habitat which provides a sustainable quality of life to all its inhabitants, human, plant and animal.
2. Property owners who develop and maintain responsible stewardship roles, both individually and collectively.
3. A healthy watershed with a minimum of habitat fragmentation, wildlife disturbance, invasive non-native species, erosion, water flow blockage, siltation, and other contamination.

Crescent Valley Area Map



our goals

- Register 150 Backyard Wildlife Habitats
- Certify 2 parks as wildlife sanctuaries
- Maintain 2 public demonstration gardens
- Organize and train volunteer activities
- Maintain multiple wildlife corridors
- Establish a 65% native vegetation cover within the watershed area
- Provide increased education and outreach to residents, property owners, developers, real estate agents
- Encourage Low Impact Development (LID) practices within the watershed
- Collect water and wildlife data for an accurate, science-based portrait of our area.



what can you do?

A healthy habitat enhances quality of life for all.

Creating a **backyard wildlife sanctuary** is a great start. It is easy and you may already have what it takes! All you need is one item from each category:

Food:

- Seeds & berries from trees & shrubs
- Nectar and pollen from flowers
- Supplemental feeders

Water:

- A birdbath, shallow dish, water feature
- Pond, stream, wetland, lakeshore

Shelter:

- Brush or rock pile
- Dense shrubs and vegetation
- Tall and short trees

Places for nesting & raising young:

- Evergreen, deciduous trees & shrubs
- Nesting boxes
- Ponds

Certify your Backyard Habitat with National Wildlife Federation by calling 1-800-822-9919 or certify online at www.nwf.org/backyardwildlifehabitat

or

Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife Backyard Habitat Packets are available online at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/backyard>.