

Sustainable West Seattle educates, creates and advocates for urban sustainability in our local community.

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I am writing you in favor of supporting a project initiated from the Urban Homestead Foundation.

The Urban Homestead Foundation is embarking on a one year mission to purchase the land at the corner of Dakota and 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW in order to establish an active green space and urban gathering center that models, promotes and teaches green building and sustainable food systems through community and leadership development. "The Dakota Homestead" will be developed into a vibrant intersection of sustainable green practices and urban agriculture, providing a place to celebrate our natural resources through demonstration gardens, weekly classes and seasonal events. The space will also serve as a food hub and seed lending library, connecting neighbors with each other and local farmers. In addition, the land will provide a wild space for schools to use as curriculum enrichment in topics such as edible gardening, urban wildlife, seasonal cooking, crafting and home finances.

Thanks!

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To whom it may concern.