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**Just Energy Foundation Partners with Volunteer Houston and Lantrip Elementary School to Plant the Seeds for a Sustainable Garden and Future**

**Houston, TX, July 20, 2017:** The [Just Energy Foundation](#) is proud to be partnering, once again, with [Volunteer Houston](#) to build **Just Energy Sustainable Gardens** at two more Houston area schools this summer.

The first build will take place at Lantrip Elementary School on July 20<sup>th</sup>, with a second school to follow in late August. Just Energy employee volunteers will spend the day digging, planting, hammering and painting planter boxes, benches, a stage and chalkboard to serve as outdoor educational resources for current and future students and staff.

The initiative supports Volunteer Houston's Sustainable Schoolyards youth education program and complements Just Energy's commitment to investing in the environment while adding value to communities. The outdoor classroom cultivates an opportunity where children can learn about sustainability hands-on, and the important part they play as stewards of our earth.

"With many of our customers residing right here in Houston, we are happy to be able to give back" says Kandi Terry, Executive Director of the Just Energy Foundation. "Through this investment in education, we endeavor to help build stronger, more supportive communities and empowered students with unique, hands-on, experiential learning."

"The goal is to educate teachers, administrators, and students about the value of outdoor classrooms for student's development, and help schools cultivate stimulating outdoor environments" says Cameron Waldner, CEO of Volunteer Houston. "In partnership with the Just Energy Foundation, we can transform the quality of learning experiences for students, and set the stage for future success."

The Just Energy Foundation and Volunteer Houston broke ground for the first-ever **Just Energy Sustainable Garden** last year at Brookline Elementary School. The initiative was a huge success benefiting 350 students who now have a unique opportunity to learn about environmental sustainability in an outdoor educational setting. Students were excited to pick vegetables recently from seeds they planted last Fall.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place in September to officially open this year's gardens with students, school staff and local civic representatives.

**About Just Energy Foundation:**

The Just Energy Foundation was established in 2013 by Just Energy Group Inc. to help registered Canadian and U.S. charitable organizations secure the resources required to promote the health and well-being of communities in need. Funded entirely by Just Energy, the Foundation invests in local programs that work to enhance the quality of life in Just Energy's operating markets towards building stronger and supportive communities. Visit [justenergyfoundation.com](http://justenergyfoundation.com) to learn more.

**About Volunteer Houston:**

For over 43 years, [Volunteer Houston](http://VolunteerHouston.org) has been the Houston's sole referral service connecting volunteers to a broad spectrum of diverse nonprofit organizations. Nonprofit organizations all around Houston and its vicinity rely on Volunteer Houston to acquire over 50,000 volunteers per year.

**About Just Energy Group Inc.:**

Established in 1997, Just Energy (NYSE:JE, TSX:JE) is a leading retail energy provider specializing in electricity and natural gas commodities, energy efficiency solutions, and renewable energy options. With offices located across the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, and Germany, Just Energy serves approximately two million residential and commercial customers providing homes and businesses with a broad range of energy solutions that deliver comfort, convenience and control. Just Energy Group Inc. is the parent company of Amigo Energy, Green Star Energy, Hudson Energy, Tara Energy and terrapass. Visit [justenergygroup.com](http://justenergygroup.com) to learn more. Also, find us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/justenergy) and follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/justenergy).

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