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Dear Select Board:

Please consider Green Up Vermont's request for your community's financial support. Your contribution will help keep Green Up operating for our entire Vermont community.

We respectfully ask you to include the appropriate amount from the guide below in your budget for next year. The guide remains the same as in previous years.

- For towns under 1,000 population \$ 50
- For towns over 1,000 and under 2000 . . . \$100
- For towns over 2,000 and under 3000 . . . \$150
- For towns over 3,000 and under 4000 . . . \$200
- For towns over 4,000 population \$300

Sincerely,

Melinda Vieux
President

Annual report information

Green Up Day, May 3, 2008

This past year, families and communities worked together to ensure that **the first Saturday in May, Green Up Day**, would continue as a special Vermont tradition 38 years and counting! We were the first state in our nation to designate a day for such cleaning of the entire state. Working together, we can keep our unique Green Up spirit growing for Vermont. Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501© (3) organization that works to enhance our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising awareness about the benefits of a litter free environment.

The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups who volunteer to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont.

With your town's help, we can continue our unique annual Vermont tradition of taking care of our beautiful landscape and promoting civic pride so our children grow up with Green Up. Children are our future, and Green Up Vermont focuses on education for grades K-12 with activities such as a curriculum for K-4, activity booklets, a story and drawing booklet, and the annual poster and writing contests. Please visit www.greenupvermont.org to learn more.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 12 percent of our budget. Last year, appropriations from cities and towns covered 14 percent of our budget, so we rely on your help to keep Green Up Day going. These funds pay for supplies including over 45,000 Green Up trash bags, promotion, education, and services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute, according to population, to keep Green Up growing for Vermont!

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Mark your calendars May 2, 2009, the first Saturday in May, is "Green Up Day"! Put on your boots, get together with your family, invite some friends and come join us in your community to make Vermont even more GREEN!