

★ AWARDS

- North Carolina Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts 2014 Urban Conservation Award
- The North Carolina Source Water Protection Award for Education & Leadership March 17, 2016
- The Underwriters Laboratories Innovative Education Award and 2016 Finalist by the North American Association of Environmental Educators

\$\$\$ FUNDING FOR BETC

- USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture Grant (NIFA) \$30,714 (2012-2014)
- Smith Richardson Foundation \$50,000 (2016-2017)
- The Longleaf Collective \$18,500 (2017)
- National Association of Conservation Districts \$50,000 (2016-2017)

BETC PARTNERSHIPS

- Durham Public Schools CTE Program
- Durham City & County Youth Works Program
- Friends of the Hub Farm nonprofit

BETC COMMUNITY IMPACT & INNOVATION

LANDOWNERS

- Invest in local student green infrastructure workforce development
- Improve drainage and erosion issues
- Increase property value

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- Leads collaborative water quality improvement efforts
- Expands environmental literacy in the classroom
- Provides field experience in green infrastructure

SCHOOL SYSTEM

- Improves student performance through experiential instruction
- Instills social responsibility in students
- Enhances students' sense of community

STUDENTS

- Gain exposure to horticulture & stormwater management job skills and experience
- Learn leadership and entrepreneurial skills
- Improve self-esteem
- Receive community service opportunities
- Increase environmental stewardship



Commissioner Ellen Reckhow and Mayor Bill Bell visit with students installing a rain garden at Lowes Grove Middle School.



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