



## Western New York Earth Day

*Informing and inspiring the community to protect and enhance our environment*

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c/o Dave Copeland  
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July 14, 2015

Dear Mr. Copeland and Air & Waste Management Members:

Thank you very much for our \$500 grant for our annual event *Party for the Planet* at the Buffalo Zoo. June 27, 2015 was a day to remember. We had a steady rain throughout the day with periodic downpours! Despite the rain, we had 20 environmental organizations exhibit. They provided families with information and activities about caring for our Earth.

Our total count of participants was 175.

We used \$300 of the grant to buy healthy snacks of protein bars & fruit for children that participated in the scavenger hunt. The scavenger hunt involves children learning about 15 of the environmental organizations and completing an activity. We used \$50 for advertising the event and print material. We used \$150 of grant for Mama's Kitchen Band which was a highlight of the day.

Thank you again for your generosity and interest in educating the public about caring for our Earth.

Sincerely,

WNY Earth Day Committee Chair

Enc. Picture collage of June 27, 2015 Party for the Planet