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DENVER TARGETED FOR COMMUNITY CLIMATE CHANGE PROGRAM  
Groundwork Denver Selected by Groundwork UK to  
Pilot International Climate Change Initiative in the United States

DENVER (December 7, 2007) –Denver has been selected by nonprofit Groundwork USA as one of five U.S. cities in which the organization will launch a community-based climate change program. The program will be administered by Groundwork Denver using a model developed by its sister organization, Groundwork UK. The Denver-based counterpart will implement projects that engage residents of Denver neighborhoods to reduce their respective carbon footprints.

Wendy Hawthorne, Executive Director of Groundwork Denver, was recently invited to attend the Groundwork UK executive meeting in Birmingham, England to discuss international collaboration on community-based climate change action. At the meeting, Denver was highlighted as one of five promising U.S. cities for implementation of the Groundwork model.

According to Hawthorne, “Groundwork UK delivers programs throughout the United Kingdom that help families and businesses reduce their carbon footprint. Being able to draw upon their lessons learned puts Groundwork Denver in a great position to create our program around proven successes. We are excited to be one of the first in our U.S. network to provide resources and expertise at a grassroots level.”

Groundwork Denver is one of fifteen organizations that make up the Groundwork USA network. The organization plans to roll-out its first pilot community-based climate change initiative in the spring of 2008.

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