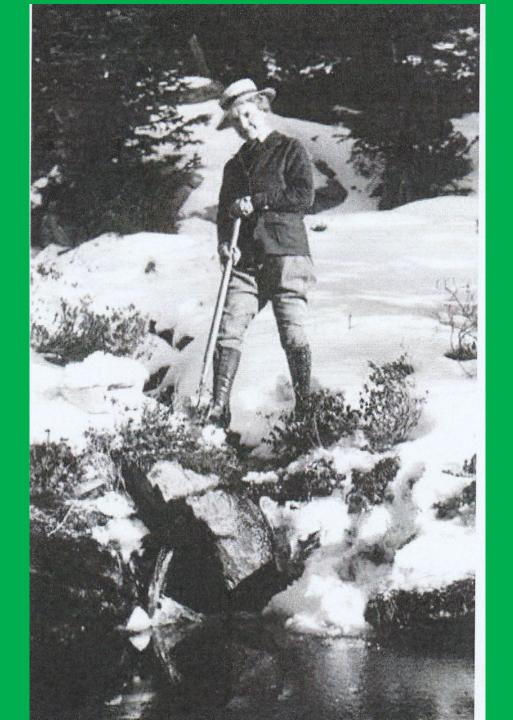
GNCDCInc.

Alma Higgins Vegetative Environment Enhancement Program Competition



Alma Higgins moved to Butte in 1920 when Butte was mostly devoid of vegetation due to the active mining impact.

Alma Higgin's philosophy; was to restore the vegetative environment decimated by mining in Butte "one flower box at a time through competition and recognition".

Thus the Greeley Neighborhood Community Development Corporation Inc.'s Enhancement Task Force designed and conducted a community wide **Vegetative Environment Enhancement** and Beatification Competitions between the Districts of The Peoples Representatives.

Funds to provide Incentive Awards to encourage and foster vegetative environment enhancement and beautification of the Greater Butte Silver Bow Community were sought and obtained from **Butte Silver Bow - Council of Commissioners Economic Development Committee - Mill Levy Fund**

Rules and Entry Forms were updated and posted on the GNCDCInc. website.

A Challenge was sent to The Peoples Representatives to encourage their constituents to do vegetative environment enhancement and beautification projects. Community Service News Releases and Notices were sent to The Peoples Representatives and to the Local Media during the growing season.

Entries were accepted at the

Butte-Silver Bow Chamber of Commerce.

On September 27, 2023, at the regular meeting of the Butte Garden Club, the GNCDCInc., in collaboration with the Butte Garden Club gave awards; In 13 categories to the participants in the **Alma Higgins - Vegetative Environment Enhancement Program Project Photo Contest**, and to 6 gardeners selected as Butte Garden Club's - Garden of the Week.

Incentive Awards were given for; **AH-VEEP Projects and Gardens of the Week** in the following Districts; District # 4 - 6 Incentive Awards were given District # 8 - 3 Incentive Awards were given District # 1 - 2 Incentive Awards were given District # 5 - 1 Incentive Award was given District # 11 - 1 Incentive Award was given

AH-VEEP Project Awards were given in the following categories;

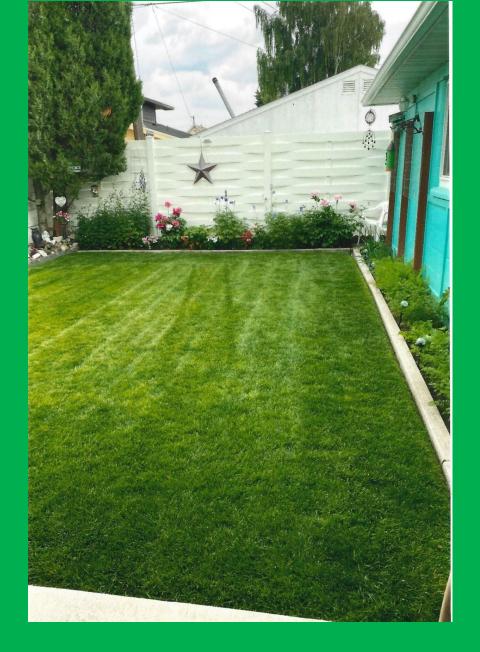
- Landscape
- Flower Bed
- Flower Container
- Vegetable Garden



Some of the AH-VEEP Project Photo Contest Winners (If any of you are here this evening please stand to be recognized)



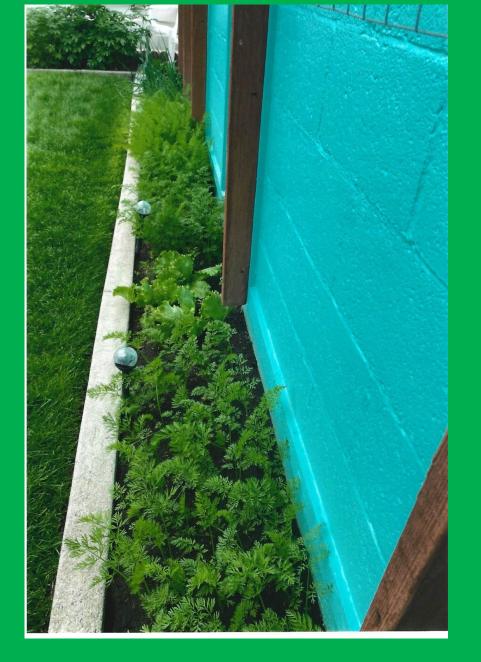
Carol Smith - Landscape



Dee Rozan - Landscape



Dee Rozan – Flower Bed



Dee Rozan – Vegetable Garden



Judy Brogan – Flower Bed



Miranda Rozan - Landscape



Miranda Rozan – Flower Bed



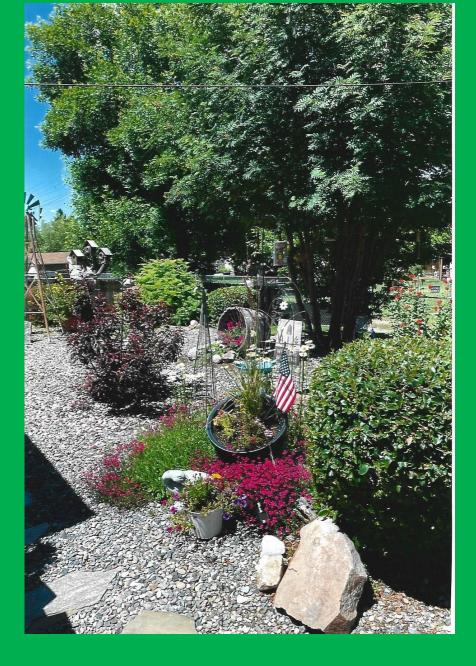
Miranda Rozan – Flower Container

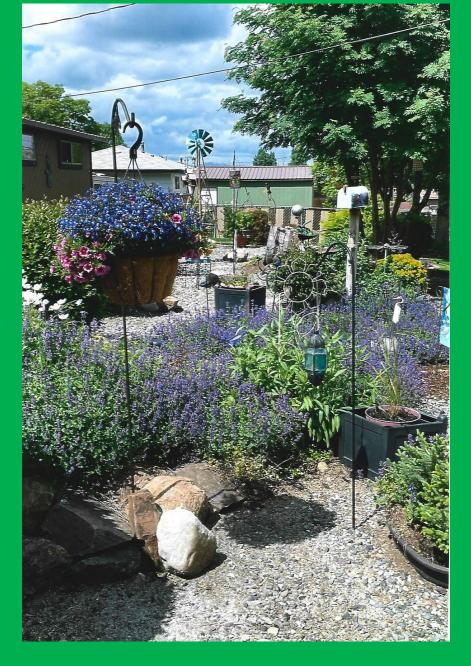


Pat & Larry McGarth – Flower Bed



Pat & Larry McGarth – Flower Container





Ron & Joyce Kuecks - Landscape



Trudy Healy - Landscape



Butte Garden Club – Garden of the Week (If any of you are here this evening please stand to be recognized)



Diana Widhalm - Garden of the Week



Gail Stuart - Garden of the Week



George Parret - Garden of the Week



Joe Stolarz - Garden of the Week



Judy Brogan - Garden of the Week



Sharon & Dave Crase - Garden of the Week

Financial

- Receipts: o6/20/2023 - Grant B-SB Council of Commissioners Economic Development Committee Mill Levy Fund \$ 2,000.00 Expenditures: o9/27/2023 13 Alma Higgins VEEP
 - Project Incentives Awarded \$ 1,900.00 Earmarked for Web Hosting 100.00

In Kind Value of Volunteer hours about 41 @ \$15 615.00

Evaluation

We did not include Advertising and Promotional funding in our Grant Request and did not get the Community Service Announcements support of previous years. We miss judged the interest and willingness that the individual Peoples Representatives might have in promoting, encouraging and fostering vegetative environment enhancement and beautification in our community.

We do thank you !

for supporting the;

Alma Higgins – Vegetative Environment Enhancement,

and the

Garden of the Week

Community Beautification Projects Program