

## **Earth Day milestone: GE Vernova Foundation announces grant to benefit schoolyards across Atlanta**

- \$250K grant to transform 10 schoolyards into vibrant green spaces.
- Creating outdoor spaces for 35K students and local residents across Atlanta.
- Announcement made as GE Vernova rings NYSE Opening Bell ® in celebration of Earth Day.

**ATLANTA, GA. (April 22, 2025)** – As the world celebrates Earth Day, the GE Vernova Foundation today announced a new grant program focused on green spaces, an expansion of its commitments to growing stronger, more resilient communities and creating long-lasting environmental benefits through innovation and partnership. The announcement was made from the New York Stock Exchange where foundation and company leaders from across GE Vernova were honored to ring the Opening Bell ® in recognition of Earth Day.

To kick off the initiative, the Foundation committed a \$500,000, two-year grant to the Trust for Public Land (TPL) - \$250,000 of which will be allocated to Atlanta, home to one of GE Vernova's largest U.S. sites. The grant will fund TPL's [Community Schoolyards program](#), and will support Atlanta Public Schools by transforming 10 schoolyards into new green spaces, providing nearly 35,000 students and residents access to a green space within a 10-minute walk.

"These schoolyards will foster healthier, more vibrant communities, providing students and residents with access to nature," said [Kristin Carvell](#), **President, GE Vernova Foundation and Chief Communications Officer, GE Vernova**. "At GE Vernova, we are powered by the energy of change, and this initiative reflects our ongoing commitment to sustainability, innovation, and community

resilience, helping to create a brighter future for all.”

“In too many communities in and around Atlanta - especially in lower-income neighborhoods and communities of color - access to the outdoors remains out of reach,” said [\*\*George Dusenbury\*\*](#), **Georgia State Director for Trust for Public Land**. “With the GE Vernova Foundation’s support, we’re changing that by transforming schoolyards into vibrant, green spaces that serve students and the entire community. These reimaged schoolyards provide nearly 35,000 students and residents with a safe place to play, connect, and enjoy the outdoors - right in their own neighborhoods.”

The schoolyard projects are “shovel-ready” and set to be initiated and completed within the next 12 to 24 months. All projects are based on a participatory design process, resulting in hundreds of students exploring environmental and sustainability concepts, landscape, and outdoor design, creating the next generation of conservationists. The projects will incorporate infrastructure such as catch and release stormwater systems to reduce flooding, tree canopies and rain gardens showcasing native plants.

In addition to funding, the Foundation will host a volunteer event at Fickett Elementary School in Atlanta to prepare the schoolyard and engage employees in environmental stewardship. As the Foundation continues to grow, our goal is to continue putting the company’s purpose - The Energy to Change the World - into practice by expanding this program’s reach to the global communities where our employees live and work.

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### **About GE Vernova Foundation**

The GE Vernova Foundation, an independent charitable organization funded by GE Vernova, puts the company’s purpose - The Energy to Change the World - into practice across the global communities where employees live and work. Following the spinoff of GE Vernova as an independent company in April 2024 and building on the 100+ year legacy of the GE Foundation, the GE Vernova Foundation resources



are channeled into initiatives focused on championing the global workforce needed for the energy transition as well as building stronger and more resilient communities. Learn more at [www.gevernova.com/about/philanthropy](http://www.gevernova.com/about/philanthropy).

### **About Trust for Public Land**

Trust for Public Land (TPL) is a national nonprofit that works to connect everyone to the benefits and joys of the outdoors. As a leader in equitable access to the outdoors, TPL works with communities to create parks and protect public land where they are needed most. Since 1972, TPL has protected more than 4 million acres of public land, created more than 5,504 parks, trails, schoolyards, and iconic outdoor places, raised \$110 billion in public funding for parks and public lands, and connected nearly 9.7 million people to the outdoors. To learn more, visit [tpl.org](http://tpl.org).

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