

# Media Release

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## Botanic Garden's gets Classroom, Office Furniture Donation from St. Mary's School

**CHEYENNE** – The City of Cheyenne's Botanic Gardens gladly accepted used classroom and office furniture from the old St. Mary's Elementary School after school moved to its new building.

The school moved from 112 E. 24<sup>th</sup> Street to its new location at 2200 O'Neil Ave.

The furniture will be used at the Botanic Gardens, 710 South Lion Park Drive, and at the new Children's Village which is expected to open this summer.

Donated to the City was:

- 12 tables.
- 30 kids chairs.
- 65 adults chairs.
- Two Computer desks.
- Overhead projector.
- Clocks.
- Bookshelves.
- Filing cabinets.
- Desk.
- Office barrier.

“We had budgeted \$22,000 for equipment to the classroom at the Children's Village and with these donations, some of that money will be able to go to other areas of the Village,” said Shane Smith, director of the Botanic Gardens.

As part of its plan to make the new Children's Village a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building, Smith plans to recycle the door knobs from the old St. Mary's School and use them as coat hooks in the Children's Village. This is just one of the steps that will help the Children's Village become LEED's certified. This encourages sustainable green buildings and green development practices like recycling.

The Botanic Gardens is a division within the Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Department.

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