

"Living With Our Planet" projects

The Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund was established in April 2002 in response to our customers' desire to do something for the earth. The Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund has carried out "Living With Our Planet" projects with the help of holders of Cosmo The Card House Eco (launched in April 2002) and Cosmo The Card Opus Eco (launched in June 2006), who contribute 500 yen per year. Now in its 8th year, the project is supported by the contributions from these "Eco cardholders" as well as by donations from the Cosmo Oil Group.

Message

As readers are no doubt aware, the effects of climate change are growing worse, so I think we all bear a big responsibility to help with the fight against global warming. The Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund wants to make sure we leave a beautiful earth to our descendants, which is why we've adopted "Living With Our Planet" as the motto for our efforts to work in partnership with NPOs, NGOs, and university research bodies on environmental projects and activities.

Prevention of global warming is the main theme of our environmental undertakings, which are focused on two key sub-themes—support for sustainable development, and education of the next generation. With these issues in mind, we are undertaking afforestation activities, helping local communities to build sustainable livelihoods, and supporting environmental education activities in and outside Japan.

Moves are afoot to formulate global responses to global warming, including the COP15 conference in December 2009, where participants are scheduled to adopt a post-Kyoto framework. Despite our efforts, however, global warming just keeps getting worse, and

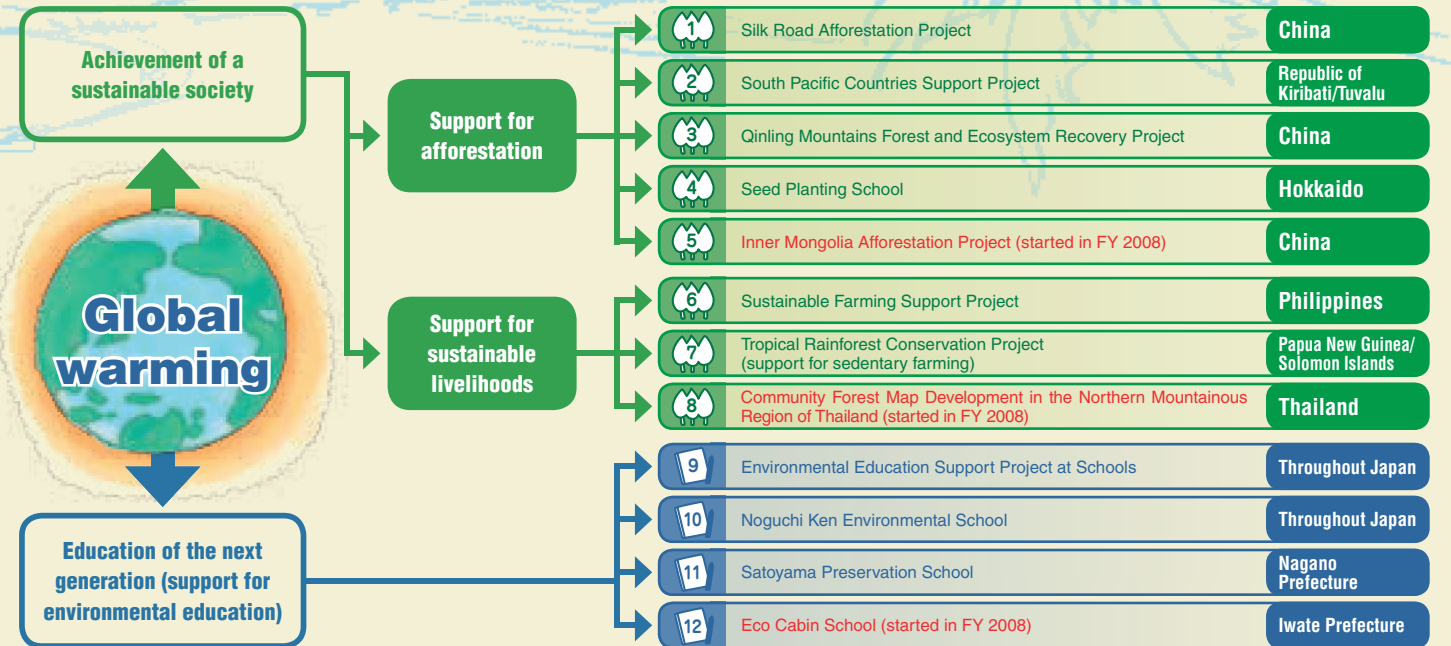
has been particularly hard on people in developing nations, who in addition to poverty are now faced with food and water shortages brought on by environmental degradation. The Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund solicited new project applications in fiscal 2008 and launched three new environmental projects. We provided vigorous support overseas to Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, and other island nations of the South Pacific, as well as many countries throughout Asia, and here in Japan we continued to support environmental conservation projects and efforts to provide environmental education to the next generation.

Upon my appointment as the Chairperson of the fund, I would like to express my most sincere thanks to all Eco cardholders for your backing of the "Living With Our Planet" projects. With your help, we intend to do everything we can to help preserve the global environment. I do hope you will continue to lend your enthusiastic support.



Hideto Matsumura
Chairperson, Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund

Project 2009



Achievement of a sustainable society

Project concept

As a fossil fuel, petroleum is closely linked to climate change, and the fight against global warming is the main theme of the "Living With Our Planet" projects, which we are pursuing with the cooperation of Eco cardholders, NGOs, NPOs, overseas governments, and other partners. Toward this end, we are carrying out activities designed to bring about a sustainable society. To achieve the ideal of "Living With Our Planet," we are working at home and abroad on two sub-themes: support for sustainable development, and education of the next generation.

Cosmo The Card Opus Eco and Cosmo The Card House Eco are card plans that anyone can join if they want to do something good for the earth.

Cosmo The Card Opus Eco and Cosmo The Card House Eco receive 500 yen contributions each year from their customers as well as a donation from Cosmo Oil, and this money is then used to provide donations to support the activities of NPOs and public service organizations dedicated to environmental conservation.



Participation by group companies in the Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund

A percentage of revenues from sales of the Eco Dyna battery (a product of group affiliate Cosmo Trade and Service) and the Cosmo Eco series of lubricants (sold by group affiliate Cosmo Oil Lubricants) is donated to the Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund.

Eco Dyna ▶ <http://www.cosmo-trade.com/goods/ct0027/rf0027.html> (in Japanese only)
Cosmo Oil's Eco series of products ▶ <http://www.cosmo-lube.co.jp/car/eco.html> (in Japanese only)

2008 activity report

Environmental activities in China's Qinling Mountains



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Commercial logging in the Qinling Mountains has desolated the land and begun to threaten the survival of golden snub-nosed monkeys and giant pandas. Since fiscal 2005, with the help of the Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund, we have been planting trees on unused commercial logging roads to facilitate the movement of animals and regenerate their habitat. In fiscal 2008, students from the Northwest University College of Life Sciences, as well as the Middle School of Northwest University, pitched in as volunteers in afforestation work in the Qinling Mountains. In addition, local residents were hired not only to plant trees, but also to manage

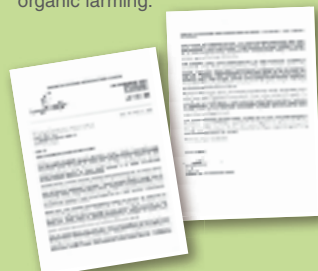
and protect seedlings to make sure that they would take root and survive. These activities were reported on by local newspapers and television stations.

The university and middle school also put on a poster and photograph exhibit entitled "The Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund Environmental Project and Protection of Golden Snub-nosed Monkeys." In the meantime, Northwest University continued with its scientific study of the behavioral ecology and sociobiology of golden snub-nosed monkeys, and published seven articles on its findings in various international journals.



Thank-you letter from the Solomon Islands to our cardholders

The Malaita Food and Agriculture Council in the Solomon Islands recently sent a letter addressed to the Eco cardholders to thank them for their support of a technical guidance project providing local farmers with instruction on how to engage in sustainable, sedentary organic farming.



Thank You for Funding the Mangrove Planting Program

Malaita is the most populated province of Solomon Islands and has very little agricultural land. Add to this the effects of logging, deforestation caused by slash-and-burn agriculture, and climate change. Due to these circumstances, the food security of rural communities is under threat.

Recently, we have had frequent natural disasters, such as earthquakes, tsunamis, and flooding, none of which we had ever before experienced in the Solomon Islands. All this has had a negative effect upon the lives and livelihoods of local residents. To prevent widespread poverty, we are working to train young people in sustainable methods of farming. The main source of funding for these training programs has been donations from the Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund. We thank the Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund for its long-term assistance.

Moving forward, we intend to improve the quality of our current training programs while continuing forward with the projects, and then to extend activities to other provinces, so as to promote a switch from slash-and-burn agriculture to sedentary farming that is both organic and sustainable.

The Malaita Food and Agriculture Council presented the Cosmo Oil Eco Card Fund with the gift of a shell money necklace.

The use of shells as money is a tradition that still survives in Malaita Province, where people often give shells as a gift in connection with weddings, funerals, and other ceremonial occasions. Local craftsmen made a special necklace incorporating the Cosmo Oil name as a gesture of gratitude for the enthusiastic support that the Eco Card Fund has given over the years.

