**Prepare Supplies**
Set up 6 work areas in the habitat area for students to assemble ‘feeding stations’. Evenly distribute hazelnut butter, chopped sunflower seeds, and mixed native grass/flower seeds into six divided paper plates. Provide 1 or 2 cones per student. Provide plastic spoons and knives at each work area to spread seed onto cones. Provide each student with 12-14” lengths of thread to tie cones to branches.

**Feeding Station Supplies**
- Divided paper plate with a variety of seeds
- Cotton thread or string
- Cone

**Hazelnut Butter**
- 2 cups shelled hazelnuts (also called filberts)
- 1/4-1/2 c. nut oil (sunflower, hazelnut, peanut, almond, etc.) OR
- 1 cup shelled hazelnuts
- 1 cup peanut butter

Chop hazelnuts in a food processor until the consistency of cornmeal. Add oil or peanut butter and mix until blended. Hazelnut butter and meal are also available in some specialty stores.

**About Cones**
Cones are present on Douglas fir, ponderosa pine, shore pine and other trees in the fall and winter. If cones are closed place them in a paper bag and place in a warm place; they will soon open, releasing their seeds.

**Flower & Grass Seed**
Native seeds are often available from habitat area stewardship groups, or may be field collected and winnowed. Gather seedheads and dry. Shake and rub seeds from stalks into a flat container. Blow off large chaff, leaving seeds behind.

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**Create Wildlife Feeding Station**
Use knives, spoons and fingers to apply hazelnut butter; fill between the bracts of the cone. Use spoons and fingers to pat sunflower, flower and grass seeds into the hazelnut butter until the cone is covered with seed materials.

**Hang Wildlife Feeding Stations**
Wrap half of the thread around the top of the cone several times, pulling tightly under the top few bracts. Use the remaining thread to tie or wrap around a small branch.