

NJDEP 2017 Recycling Award Winners





Education

David Alexander

David Alexander, Senior Naturalist at the Essex County Environmental Center, developed a recycling curriculum for students that not only facilitates trips to the center, but helps students use math to calculate average resident rates of waste disposal and recycling. The program's successes have helped students develop stewardship practices at their schools and in their communities.

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Education

Essex County Vocational Technical School - West Caldwell Campus

The school in 2014 developed a school-wide recycling program thanks to a 2014 grant from the National Future Farmers of America Organization and CSX Corporation. The program has since expanded from everyday classroom recyclables to include cardboard, cans and food waste, and has inspired the entire school community to use environmentally friendly practices and products.

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Leadership

William Bausmith

William R. Bausmith, Associate Director of Construction and Management in the Department of Design and Construction at Princeton University, has developed and managed a construction recycling program that averages a 95 percent diversion rate for all construction and demolition waste. Bausmith achieved the high rate by developing contract standards, providing incentives for positive behavioral changes, and creating web-based recycling reporting systems.

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Commissioner's Award

Dominick D'Altilio

Dominick D'Altilio received a special Commissioner's Award for his instrumental role of more than two decades for promoting and advancing recycling through ANJR. D'Altilio, who has served for 35 years as Assistant Director of Public Works and Recycling Coordinator for the City of East Orange in Essex County, joined the ANJR Board in 1993 and served as president from 2003-2017 until stepping down earlier this year and becoming a board member emeritus. During his time on the ANJR Board, D'Altilio was a member of the committee that developed the Rutgers University Certified Recycling Professional Program, and was a graduate of the first Certified Recycling Professional class. He has served as a program instructor since.

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Business

Janssen Pharmaceuticals

Janssen, a wholly owned subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, has achieved several key environmental milestones in recent years, including a nearly 78 percent waste diversion rate in 2016 for its three-year-old recycling program; LEED Gold Certification in 2014 at its Titusville, Mercer County facility; significant reduction in medical and hazardous waste disposal from 2011 to 2012; and development of a successful food waste composting program in effect since 2011.

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Business Humanscale

Humanscale, which manufactures ergonomic office furniture, achieved a 90 percent waste diversion goal for its facility in Piscataway, Middlesex County, by identifying all possible sources of waste diversion and then getting company employees on board with recycling plans. The result: recycling is profitable for the company, when it was previously an expense.



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Rising Star

Camden City School District

The Camden County district has implemented recycling programs, training for educators and administrators, and focused efforts in classrooms, the cafeteria, and districtwide. Due to those efforts, as well as collaboration with businesses and district managers, the district has reached its recycling goals, and is meeting standards once difficult to achieve.

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Institution

Egg Harbor City Community School

The Atlantic County school, which serves approximately 230 children in grades 4-8, was the Keep America Beautiful Recycle Bowl National Champion in 2015, ranking first among nearly 1,300 schools nationwide for its recycling efforts and successes. The school also was named Recycle Bowl New Jersey State Champion in 2013, 2014 and 2016.

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Jack Griffith, Paul Orlando (NJDEP)





Government

Perth Amboy Office of Recycling

The Perth Amboy Office of Recycling, a division of the Middlesex County city's Department of Public Works, has developed the Recycling Buddy Bag Program, which instructs residents on how to recycle. The program targets residents who live in areas where trash is not collected by the city, such as condominiums, apartment complexes and high rises.

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Source Reduction, Resource Management, and Sustainability

Pedals for Progress

Pedals for Progress, a nonprofit organization, has diverted an estimated 100,000 pounds of materials in 2015 and 88,000 pounds of materials in 2016 from landfills and other waste streams by collecting and shipping used bicycles and sewing machines to partner organizations. The equipment supports economic development in developing countries, and helps underprivileged individuals overseas in need of non-polluting transportation. Since its founding in 1991, Pedals for Progress has diverted more than 4.5 million pounds of materials from the waste stream.

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NJ Habitat for Humanity ReStores

Habitat for Humanity ReStores are building supply outlets that sell new and gently used building supplies, furnishings and appliances to help promote neighborhood revitalization while reducing landfill waste. The Northern Ocean County Habitat ReStore in fiscal year 2016 diverted nearly five times more waste than it did in 2001, while the Warren County ReStore has seen a steady improvement of 5 percent annually that is projected to continue for at least the next three years.

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