

## ***WASTE REDUCTION SERVICES***

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### **WINNERS OF TRI-COUNTY WASTE REDUCTION AWARDS** **TO BE HONORED AT LUNCHEON ON EARTH DAY**

#### **Program Honors Businesses, Nonprofits, Schools, Governments and Individuals Making Extraordinary Efforts to Reduce Waste**

Lansing's Waste Reduction Services Division will help honor Tri-County Waste Reduction Award winners at a luncheon **beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Earth Day, Tuesday, April 22 at the Holiday Inn South.** The luncheon's keynote speaker will be Terry Link, Director of the Office of Campus Sustainability at Michigan State University. WLNS Newscenter 6 anchor Jane Aldrich will moderate the luncheon.

The Tri-County Waste Reduction Awards Program (WRAP), established by Lansing's and other local recycling coordinators in Ingham, Eaton and Clinton Counties, recognizes exemplary efforts made by businesses, nonprofit organizations and churches, public and private schools, government offices and departments and individuals to reduce the volume of waste going to landfills.

"Waste Reduction Services is proud to partner with other local recycling coordinators to provide the WRAP program," said Lori Miller, Assistant Recycling Coordinator for the City of Lansing. "The WRAP program is a great way for the community to nominate those groups and individuals who have made a positive impact on the environment through waste reduction, recycling and reusing materials, educating about recycling, and purchasing recycled-content materials."

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Businesses of any size; nonprofit organizations and churches; schools and educational institutions, including colleges, universities, public school districts,

and private and charter schools; government offices or departments; and individuals were eligible for the awards. All award applicants were evaluated by participating local recycling coordinators based on their efforts to reduce, reuse and recycle, to educate about recycling and waste reduction issues, and to purchase materials made from recycled content.

Winners will receive a special plaque made of recycled materials, and the use of the WRAP logo to promote their designation as an environmental leader in mid-Michigan. In addition, each award recipient will be offered a free waste assessment.

Tri-County Waste Reduction Award winners are:

**Ingham County**

- Mary Stefanik, United States Postal Service, Collins Road Branch
- Cooley Law School
- Michigan Department of Environmental Quality – Constitution Hall
- Sycamore Elementary School
- WLNS Newscenter 6 – Young Broadcasting
- Volunteers of America

**Eaton County**

- Meridian Magnesium
- Eaton County Community Development
- First Presbyterian Church – Dimondale Recycling Center
- Todd Cole
- Greyhound Intermediate School Environmental Club

**Clinton County**

- Dale Trierweiler
- Minibeast Zooseum/Young Entomologist Society
- Crosby Min Farm/Mint Grove, Inc.
- City of St. Johns
- St. Johns Lions Club

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