

Waste Management Celebrates America Recycles Day with Keep America Beautiful

By Adrienne Fors / Community Relations Waste Management

PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP - Waste Management, the nation's largest residential recycler, and thousands of communities, neighbors and friends are furthering their commitment to go green in celebration of America Recycles Day, a national, annual initiative by Keep America Beautiful.

Since 1997, America Recycles Day is the only nationally recognized day, and coast-to-coast community-driven awareness campaign, dedicated to promoting recycling in the U.S. With Keep America Beautiful's belief that everyone has a right to live in a clean, green and beautiful community, this 'holiday' bolsters everyone's responsibility to contribute to the vision.

"America Recycles Day is a moment in time to regain momentum for recycling, and to help make recycling a daily norm across the country," said Randy Hartmann, senior director of affiliate operations, Keep America Beautiful. "Get involved by taking the "#BeRecycled" Pledge and inviting friends and family to do the same. Let's get people recycling in every aspect of their lives – at home, at work and on the go."

This year, Waste Management is sponsoring every America Recycles Day activity, in partnership with Keep America Beautiful and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), from Nov. 11 – Nov. 15. Activities will kick off with a presentation of the America Recycles Day Recycling Hero Award, recognizing a veteran or active military personnel who exhibits an outstanding commitment to recycling. The week will continue with an EPA and Keep America Beautiful Forum, an Innovation Fair featuring the greenest programs, and an America Recycles Summit.

"Waste Management is out in local communities every day, collecting recyclables that can be turned into new products," said Susan Robinson, senior director, government affairs for Waste Management. "Recycling is an important community service our customers value, and we

look forward to celebrating the great work that is being done as part of America Recycles Day."

For Waste Management, recycling is a 365-day-a-year commitment. As part of its mission to ensure recycling remains a convenient and viable solution for local communities, the company offers a range of reliable services for homes and businesses, recycling education programs, and technological advancements that are changing the face of recycling and reuse for the next generation. In 2018 alone, the company managed over 15 million tons of materials for beneficial use.

Whether at home or on the go, Waste Management encourages community members to recycle smartly and safely by:

- Recycling bottles, cans and paper products
- Keeping food and liquids out of recycling
- Always placing recyclables loose inside recycling containers – no plastic bags

In honor of America Recycles Day, Waste Management invites everyone to be part of this year's recycling celebration and share how they are recycling in their communities on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Use the hashtag #recycleright for an opportunity to be featured on Waste Management's social media channels. Community members can learn more about recycling right by visiting www.wm.com.

ABOUT KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL

Keep America Beautiful, the nation's iconic community improvement nonprofit organization, inspires and educates people to take action every day to improve and beautify their community environment. Established in 1953, we strive to End Littering, Improve Recycling and Beautify America's Communities. We believe everyone has a right to live in a clean, green and beautiful community, and shares a responsibility to contribute to that vision.

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The Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors is seeking applications from Township residents who wish to serve on the following governmental bodies of the Township starting in January, 2020:

- **Zoning Hearing Board**
- **Planning Commission**
- **Environmental Advisory Council**
- **Recreation Board**
- **Vacancy Board Chairperson**

Interested residents of the Township must complete the Plainfield Township Boards and Commissions Application (available at <https://plainfield-township.org/appointment-process-for-boards-and-commissions/> and at the Plainfield Township Municipal Office, 6292 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth, PA 18064, Monday through Friday, 8:00AM to 4:30PM) and submit it to the Plainfield Township Manager in person or via email to manager@plainfieldtownship.org no later than Friday, December 6, 2019 to be considered for any of the above-listed positions. The Board of Supervisors (or designated committee of the Board) may schedule interviews with applicants. These interviews will be open to the public.

REQUIREMENTS: All positions require proof of Plainfield Township residency. All positions generally require the ability to read and interpret the Code of Ordinances of the Township of Plainfield, PA and the Second Class Township Code, as amended. Applicants interested in the Zoning Hearing Board must be able to read and interpret the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code and the Plainfield Township Zoning Ordinance, as amended.

If there are any questions about the above positions, please contact Mr. Tom Petrucci, Township Manager, at (610) 759-6944 ext 102.



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Invisible Danger

When we perform a gas furnace inspection one of the parts we check is the heat exchanger. That is the part responsible for separating the air you breathe from the air that is going up the chimney. Because both of them are invisible it can be a difficult task. To add to the difficulty, most of the areas we need to inspect are not visible because of the way furnaces are made. We rely on a few different ways of testing to determine if the heat exchanger may be cracked. Usually when one test indicates a problem, we will use at least one other to verify the findings. Once we determine that there is a leak it is our duty to inform the homeowner and recommend replacement of the heat exchanger or furnace.

Carbon monoxide is deadly and even in low level cases causes drowsiness, listlessness, nausea and even vomiting. So many times these symptoms are blamed on the flu or a night at the bar, but staying at home for a day won't make them go away. It will keep you in a place where the poisonous gas is present and possibly make you worse. Another oddity of this killer is that it affects the young and the old sooner and more profoundly than healthy middle aged people. So

your mom or your baby may have symptoms and you feel just fine. Another problem is just like when your 42 year old son smokes weed in his basement bedroom while playing X-box, the air is distributed throughout the entire house thanks to the same furnace that creates the carbon monoxide. A low level carbon monoxide detector is a no brainer if you use gas for anything in the house. Even a gas water heater can cause a deadly problem because of the way most utility areas are built. There may be a water heater sitting right next to your furnace and if it develops a leak and the water drips on the gas burner inside, it will cool and disrupt the flame and create high levels of CO. And while all of the combustion gasses should go up the chimney, steam from one drop of water expands to about the size of a basketball and creates too much volume to fit up the chimney so it either spills out the draft hood or the bottom of the heater. It will be picked up by the furnace and distributed throughout the house. Take the advice of a CO expert when you have a gas appliance serviced.

Ken Field is the owner of Field's Service, Inc. and Slate Belt Energy Services. He has over 40 years of experience in heating, air conditioning and is certificated by RESNET and BPI in various areas of energy conservation. He can be reached at 610-599-8832 or at www.SlateBeltEnergy.com

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**Auction will be held at 9AM, Tuesday, November 26,
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Agriculture and Youth Organization Grants

Apply by Nov. 29 #PAfarmers



Agriculture and Youth Organizations Grants

By Michael Ortoski

SLATE BELT - Youth organizations that promote agriculture and vocational training have until Nov. 29 to apply for state grants to help address a 75,000-worker deficit that Pennsylvania agriculture is expected to face in the next decade.

Eligible organizations include PA FFA, 4-H, Ag in the Classroom and others. Funds can be used for training, field trips, equipment and more. Eligibility requirements and applications for the Ag and Youth Grant Program are listed here.

Uses

Eligible projects include one or more of the following:
Education or workforce development seminars or field trips;
Agricultural safety training programs;
Capital projects or equipment purchases.

Eligibility

Agriculture and youth organizations are defined as any organization composed mainly of youth and organized to promote development in the areas of agriculture, leadership, vocational training, and fellowship. It includes, but is not limited to, Pennsylvania FFA, 4-H, Ag in the Classroom, Career and Community Leaders of America, and vocational education programs.

Funding

\$500,000 is available for grants for two different grant types that can be awarded under the program:

Direct, non-matching reimbursement grants of up to \$7,500 to defray costs of an eligible project, other than a capital project; and,
Matching reimbursement grants of up to \$25,000 to defray the costs of an eligible capital project or equipment purchase, where the grant covers no more than 50% of the project cost.

More info go to :<https://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Pages/Ag-and-Youth-Grant-Program.aspx>

Hello, Early Childhood Education Supporters

By Jan Marie Schwartz / Outreach Coordinator

Pennsylvania Association for the Education of Young Children EASTON - If you haven't done so already, would you please take a minute to add your name to a petition to Gov. Wolf asking him to invest in high-quality infant/toddler child care, high-quality pre-k and evidence-based home visiting in his fiscal year 2020-21 budget proposal.

These three programs provide a continuum of services that help Pennsylvania parents maximize the impact of the first five years of life when 90 percent of brain development occurs.

Unfortunately, hundreds of thousands of young children each year do not have access to these high-quality early learning opportunities due to limited funds.

Go to: http://salsa3.salsalabs.com/o/51084/c/10476/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=22613 to sign the petition.

Please help us spread the word to your networks through social media.