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Leading Missouri toward environmental sustainability through waste reduction and recycling

Missouri Recycling Association Holds Annual Awards Luncheon

The Missouri Recycling Association (MORA) held its Annual Awards Reception on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 in Branson, Missouri as part of its annual conference. A total of 10 award winners were recognized with the Missouri Recycling Association's Achievement Awards.

Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre, owned by Live Nation, was recognized for their outstanding business recycling & composting program. Their sustainability team has maintained a history of impressive diversion rates since the 'Green Nation' program's inception in 2018.

Mo. State MOREuse was recognized for their leadership in waste reduction, reuse and recycling. In its first year, more than 450 state employees registered to use the system and more than \$245,000 in estimated savings was generated through reuse of everything from chairs to paper clips to 3-ring binders.

Mark Twain Regional Council of Governments in partnership with Crazy Crayons was recognized as an outstanding recycling education program. In 2020-21, MTRCOG partnered with schools throughout the seven-county region to collect broken crayons, and educate children about the reuse/recycling process.

Hartmann, US was recognized as the best use of recycled material. Their use of recycled fiber, regional production and distribution of molded fiber egg cartons (that are later sold in stores) demonstrates their achievement of 'closing the loop'.

City of Monett was recognized for their outstanding collection program. While other recycling companies, programs, and organizations in the state closed their doors during the pandemic, the City of Monett steadfastly provided these essential services to the community.

City of Columbia's HHW Program was recognized for their outstanding institutional recycling. The program volunteers collect between 70-85 five-gallon buckets of paint per collection day, which is then diverted from the landfill and redistributed to the community for free.

New to the Missouri Recycling Association's award lineup was the introduction of the 'Legacy Recognition'. This award recognizes those who have maintained a leadership role in the industry, exemplified the practices of solid waste management, and helped trail-blaze the path forward. Three recipients were recognized for this honor:

CMC Recycling
Greenway Recycling, Inc.
Midwest Fibre Sales

Linda Adams of St. Louis received the prestigious MORA President's Award. Linda was recognized for her deep commitment to the recycling industry, and the many relationships she formed and nurtured throughout her career.

Since 1992 the Missouri Recycling Association has sought to lead Missouri toward environmental sustainability through waste reduction and recycling. Each year MORA recognizes companies, programs and individuals who have displayed dedication to this goal.

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