

2016 Recycling Excellence Awards **Nomination Form and Guidelines**

Throughout the state of Wisconsin, many efforts are ongoing to increase the effectiveness and accessibility of recycling programs. These efforts reduce the amount of waste buried in landfills, conserve our natural resources and have created nearly 40,000 jobs in Wisconsin. To recognize and encourage these efforts, the Wisconsin DNR presents Recycling Excellence Awards to communities and organizations who have demonstrated outstanding achievements in recycling.

Who is eligible?

- Any Responsible Unit (RU) or organization in the state of Wisconsin who is nominated in accordance with the nomination guidelines below is eligible for an award.
- Any individual can self-nominate or submit a nomination on another's behalf.
- A nominee can be nominated multiple times for multiple awards, but will receive no more than one Recycling Excellence Award every other year.

Nomination Guidelines:

Nominees who meet the following criteria will be considered:

1. A 2016 nomination form must be submitted on behalf of the nominee including all relevant and supporting documentation before midnight, August 31, 2016.
2. The nominee must comply with the [basic requirements of a DNR approved recycling program](#) or [Wisconsin state recycling laws](#) including, but not limited to providing recycling services for materials banned from landfills. If applicable, the nominee must have met the collection standard for the year under consideration, or have demonstrated significant program improvements from the previous year, as well as a dedication to continue to work towards meeting the standard in the future.
3. Only ongoing or completed actions during the previous calendar year (2015) will be considered. Nominations based on planned efforts will not be considered.

Please use the nomination form on the reverse side of this page. Questions can be directed to Angela Carey at (608)266-6965 or Angela.Carey@wisconsin.gov.

Once completed, please send your nomination, including this form and all supporting documentation to:

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All submissions must be postmarked or received by midnight August 31, 2016.

