

Bay Area Recycling for Charities

Project Name: Recycle Hub Michigan

Project Partners: Grand Traverse Industries, Vintage Tech Recycling, and Community Recycling Programs

Grant Amount: \$65,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase recycling of consumer electronics and mattresses in rural areas of the state.
2. Establish a hub and spoke collection system to support small rural communities recycling efforts.
3. Create jobs in northern Michigan for persons with disabilities.
4. Create a recycling education program in participating communities.
5. Establish a sustainable business focusing on recycling of consumer electronics and mattresses.

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City of Detroit Department of Public Works

Project Name: Detroit DPW Recycling Initiative

Partners: Zero Waste Detroit and Green Living Science

Grant Amount: \$95,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase the understanding of the importance of recycling among City of Detroit residents.
2. Add 20,000 households to the City of Detroit Department of Public Works (CDDPW) recycling program by the end of the project.
3. Increase the participation rate in the CDDPW recycling program to 20% by the end of the project.
4. Increase the total tonnage of materials collected through the recycling program by 20% by the end of the project.

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Project Name: PureMAPP

Project Partner: Rural Community Recycling Programs

Grant Amount: \$67,500

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase recycling of consumer electronics in rural areas of the state.
2. Establish an easy to implement system to support small rural communities electronics recycling efforts.
3. Create a recycling education program in participating communities to increase the recycling rate of consumer electronics.
4. Capture key data concerning the generation of material over time and per geographic area.

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Eagle Harbor Township

Project Name: Eagle Harbor Township Recycling Initiative

Project Partners: Grant Township

Grant Amount: \$6,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase the recycling rate by collecting recyclable cardboard.
2. Provide outreach to local communities to encourage recycling, via cable broadcasts, local websites, and flyer handouts during meetings and events.
3. Install a refurbished baler to address cardboard recycling needs.
4. Evaluate the project quarterly and determine the recycling rate using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency standard recycling rate calculation equation.

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Emmet County Department of Public Works

Project Name: Bin Plus Cart

Partner: City of Petoskey

Grant Amount: \$82,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Distribute 1,800 carts to recycling program participants by the end of the project.
2. Increase access rates in Emmet County, by providing carts to households who did not recycle with bins.
3. Provide carts to households on designated curbside routes.
4. Increase the participation rate in designated cart regions by 20% by the end of the project.
5. Get new recyclers engaged by highlighting the added convenience of rolling carts.
6. Increase tonnage of materials collected in designated cart regions by 20% by the end of the project.
7. Evaluate the effectiveness of adding carts to a dual stream collection program by comparing end of project data to participation and tons collected prior to adding the carts.
8. Evaluate improvement in route efficiency as indicated by an anticipated decrease in cart set out rates with corresponding increase in volume/tons.

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Houghton County

Project Name: Copper Country Recycling Initiative

Project Partners: Houghton County, Chassell Township, Western U.P. Center for Mathematics, Science and Environmental Education Center, Houghton County Planning Commission/Recycling Initiative Taskforce, Charter Township of Portage, R&B Design, Copper Country Audubon, BHK Child Development, Portage Lake District Library, Sustainable Keweenaw Resource Center, Michigan State University Extension 4-H Program, Finlandia University, Carnegie Museum, Friends of the Calumet Public Library, Friends of the Land of the Keweenaw, Houghton Rotary Club, Keweenaw Unitarian Fellowship, Keweenaw Land Trust, Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly, and Upper Peninsula Environmental Coalition

Grant Amount: \$92,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase the recycling rate at Houghton County Transfer Station by constructing a recycling collection site for Old Corrugated Cardboard (OCC) and additional recyclable materials. Purchase and install baler for OCC.
2. Establish a new transfer station at Chassell Township equipped with OCC baler.
3. Track tonnage generated on-site and secure best markets for sale of OCC.
4. Conduct a community-wide outreach and education campaign that will target over 3,000 residents, primarily students in 4th and 8th grades from eight different school districts.
5. Develop a Phase II Community Recycling Plan leading towards a long-term goal of becoming a Zero Waste Community.

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Muskegon River Watershed Assembly

Project Name: Expansion of the Recycling Program in Mecosta County

Project Partners: Recycle of Mecosta County

Grant Amount: \$92,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase recycling accessibility by adding two full service mobile recycle sites and increasing the number of hours of operation at the permanent recycling facility in Big Rapids, Michigan.
2. Provide five electronic recycling collections.
3. Provide three tire recycling collections.
4. Provide recycling education and outreach by giving presentations, sending out press releases, mailing educational flyers and participating in Field Day involving 200 third grade students.
5. Measure the increase of materials collected over the duration of the grant. The baseline recycling rate will be calculated at the beginning of the project and new rates will be calculated after the first and second year of the grant.

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Northeast Michigan Council of Governments

Project Name: Northeast Michigan Recycling Education Collaborative

Project Partners: Alpena, Cheboygan, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Emmet Counties

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase the volume and quality of recyclable materials received at drop sites in Alpena, Cheboygan, Otsego and Presque Isle Counties, through a Collaborative Recycling Education Program.
2. Survey the participating counties to address their specific needs.
3. Hold collaborative meetings between the counties.
4. Develop or enhance county recycling websites.
5. Create an education video for county websites and You Tube.
6. Develop an Education Plan for each county
7. Disseminate educational materials such as bin labels, newsletters, guidebooks, and inserts.

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Oceana Conservation District

Project Name: Oceana Pesticide Jug Recycling Program

Project Partners: North-Central Co-op, Wilbur-Ellis, and Container Services Network

Grant Amount: \$1,300

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Provide a free summer collection opportunity for farmers in Oceana County so that pesticide containers can be recycled instead of landfilled.
2. Provide education and outreach to farmers to promote greater participation in pesticide container recycling.
3. Measure the number and pounds of containers collected and diverted from the landfill.
4. Serve as a model for neighboring conservation districts so that they may begin their own program or encourage their farmers to participate in the Oceana Conservation District program.

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Recycle Ann Arbor

Project Name: Zero Waste Event Initiative

Project Partners: Washtenaw County Office of the Water Resources Commissioner and Amcor Rigid Plastics

Grant Amount: \$19,500

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Increase recycling and compost collection rates at special/public events.
2. Develop a special event zero waste toolkit and provide support to increase waste reduction with event organizers.
3. Utilize toolkit and campaign resources to provide event organizers and attendees with recycling and compost education opportunities in their community.
4. Develop Zero Waste Washtenaw (or similar) advertising and outreach campaign to promote zero waste efforts at events.
5. Establish diversion rates for public events.
6. Develop and promote a Zero Waste Event model ordinance and policy for communities to adopt.

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Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County

Project Name: Southfield Outreach Project

Project Partners: IRIS Water Diversion Specialists and Future Reproductions, Inc.

Grant Amount: \$8,200

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Measurably increase participation in the curbside program, recycling rates and pounds per household of collected recyclables.
2. Develop a direct mail postcard that provides information on the importance of recycling, including its positive economic and environmental impact, how to recycle, including where to get a bin or cart and information on recyclable materials.
3. Provide education and outreach through direct presentations to neighborhood associations throughout the City.
4. Compare the bin "set out" rates before and after the outreach program.
5. Analyze the recycling rates and pounds per household of collected recyclables by comparing "before and after" figures.

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Tuscola County Recycling Material Recovery Facility

Project Name: Tuscola County Recycling Trailer Project

Project Partners: Cass City, City of Mayville, and the City of Millington

Grant Amount: \$22,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Reduce the solid waste stream in Tuscola County by purchasing of a drop-off recycling trailer and rotating it through the communities of Cass City, Mayville and Millington.
2. Collaborate with communities to establish a delivery schedule.
3. Report the amount of recycled materials by volume and weight for each community and the project as a whole.
4. Determine the percentage of solid waste reduction.

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Village of Constantine

Project Name: Big Trash Day - Recycle It, It Helps

Project Partners: Habitat for Humanity, Clark Logic, and Waste Management

Grant Amount: \$3,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Educate the community on recycling opportunities.
2. Divert material from the landfill for reuse or recycling during “Big Trash Day”, a community clean-up day.
3. Promote electronics recycling.
4. Encourage reuse of material through a partnership with Habitat for Humanity.

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Washtenaw Intermediate School District

Project Name: Washtenaw County School Recycling and Education Program

Project Partners: Washtenaw County Solid Waste Division, Recycle Ann Arbor, Waste Management, and the Ecology Center

Grant Amount: \$ 32,000

Project Goals and Objectives

1. Establish recycling systems in eight public schools - each in a school district located outside of Ann Arbor. In three elementary schools and one middle school, pilot a single stream recycling model. In three elementary schools and one middle school, pilot a source separated paper recycling model.
2. Provide recycling training and education to building administration, instructional and custodial staff.
3. Create an educational video featuring the Materials Recovery Facility to promote recycling.
4. Develop and implement recycling education for third grade ecology lessons.
5. Decrease school contribution to landfills by diverting 30% to recycling centers.
6. Assess and improve upon school building attitudes towards recycling.

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