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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Solid Waste Professionals,

ILCSWMA is committed to providing our members and others across the state with information on the new Consumer Electronics Recycling Act (CERA). We have been actively reaching out to those across Illinois to focus attention on this matter.

CERA requires county's that would like to participate in manufacturer -supported electronics recycling programs in 2019 to opt-in by March 1, 2018. CERA requires the manufacturers of electronics to support collection of covered electronic devices (CEDs) in counties that opt-in. Many implementation details are still in the development phase.

ILCSWMA held a free webinar for members and non-members on January 31 to raise awareness of the CERA requirements, including the need to opt-in.

ILCSWMA has posted the webinar presentation and supporting materials on our website. In addition, we have been collecting questions about CERA from county governments, in hopes that we will get CTA (the

electronics trade association responsible for implementing the law) to answer them. We will then share the answers for everyone's benefit.

Each ILCSWMA region will also host a meeting in February to discuss many items of importance, including CERA implementation.

- The Southern region meeting is on Feb. 8 in Murphysboro. Contact Kim Petzing (contact info left side of this page) for details or to register.
- The Northern region meeting is on Feb. 13 in DeKalb. Contact Pete Adrian for details or to register.
- The Central meeting is on Feb. 23 in Tremont. Contact Chad Braatz for details or to register.

For more information on the CERA, visit IEPA's website: <http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/waste-management/electronics-recycling/CERA/index>

ILCSWMA is proud to lead the way for improving access to electronics recycling services across Illinois.

Until next time....

All my best, Marlin Hartman

ASSOCIATION NEWS

2018 MINI-GRANTS AVAILABLE

The ILCSWMA Board of Directors reminds members of the availability of two mini-grants, worth up to \$1,250 each, for full member (government) organizations. The objective of this grant program is to stimulate the collection and landfill diversion of any of the following post-consumer materials:

- Food Waste;
- HHW;
- Paint;
- Mercury- Containing Devices;
- Carpet;
- Pharmaceuticals.

Fundable projects must include collection (permanent or one-time) of one or more of these aforementioned materials. Applications are **due by April 30, 2018** and information is posted on the "Documents" page of the [ILCSWMA website](#).

2018 MEMBERSHIP

In early January, the designated contact person at each member organization was emailed a membership renewal invoice. We value and appreciate our members and believe we can accomplish more together than we can alone. Thanks to those who have already renewed.

For 2018 only, we are also offering a reduced membership fee to any new member organization (one who has not been a member for at least the past two years). In honor of the Association's 25th Anniversary, the rate was set at \$25. We hope this helps new members join the Association and come to see the benefits we can provide.

INDUSTRY NEWS

EPA GRANTS AVAILABLE

USEPA announced that up to \$3 million in funding for locally-focused environmental education (EE) grants is available. EPA will award three to four grants in each of EPA's ten Regions, for no less than \$50,000 and no more than \$100,000 each, for a total of 30-35 grants nationwide. Proposals are due March 15, 2018. The Requests for Proposals has been posted on www.grants.gov.

In addition to other environmental topics, the 2018 EE Local Grant Program includes support for projects that reflect the intersection of environmental issues and agricultural best-practices, conservation of natural resources, food waste management, and natural disaster

preparedness.

Since 1992, EPA has distributed between \$2 million and \$3.5 million in annual grant funding under this program, supporting more than 3,700 grants.

The full solicitation notice is also posted at <http://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grant-solicitation-notice>.

KAB RECYCLING BIN GRANTS

The Dr. Pepper Snapple Group/Keep America Beautiful Park Recycling Infrastructure Grant Program is offering new opportunities to make recycling convenient for communities across the

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TOTAL WASTE PROGRAM



Heritage Environmental Services is an industry leader in providing our clients sustainable solutions through our Total Byproduct Management Programs - integrated programs that create an environment of sustainability and consistency, while being cost conscious. These programs are developed to control costs in the near term, while driving goals of waste minimization, landfill avoidance, recycling and reuse in the future.



BYPRODUCT MANAGEMENT

Each sustainable solutions program is customized to meet our clients objectives focused on the following priorities:

- Cost Savings
- Zero Landfill Priority
- Reuse / Reduce Hierarchy
- Carbon Footprint Reduction
- Risk Mitigation

Ongoing, long-term integrated management programs for waste disposal, supplies and/or services.

Sustainable solutions and initiatives have been successfully implemented for all types of regularly and episodically generated wastes including:

- Hazardous and Non-hazardous Wastes
- Regulated Medical Wastes
- General Refuse
- Pharmaceutical Waste
- Universal (batteries, light bulbs, etc.)
- Recyclables (plastic, foam, cardboard, wood/pallets, paper, glass, ink cartridges, etc.)
- E-scrap (electronic components, computer equipment & peripherals),
- Document Destruction or Product Returns
- Waste Generated from Normal Maintenance Clean-ups,
- Remediation or Other Projects such as Construction or Facility Closures, etc.

MEETING CUSTOMER NEEDS

- ◆ Ensuring Compliance With All Regulatory Requirements
- ◆ Standardization For All Locations
- ◆ Customized Service Delivery
- ◆ Data Management, Including Internet Based Tracking and Reporting
- ◆ Waste Minimization

VALUE TO OUR CUSTOMERS

- ◆ Continuous Improvement
- ◆ Total Cost Management
- ◆ Consolidated Invoice, One Per Facility
- ◆ Single Point of Contact
- ◆ Maximization of Reuse and Recycling Opportunities
- ◆ Vendor Reduction
- ◆ Performance Management

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MEMBER NEWS

MACON COUNTY

A used clothing donation bin was painted up and signed for the 24/7 collection of Christmas lights at an unmanned Decatur site. Concerns of contamination and loss proved to be unwarranted as only strings of Christmas lights were emptied from the bin and no signs of misuse were found during routine checks.

As in years past, Macon County Environmental Management again accepted Christmas lights in their office, but in terms of pounds collected, the convenience of the 24/7 outdoor bin out paced the office site.



OGLE COUNTY

Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) kept a busy holiday schedule with the annual Christmas tree collection and the holiday light collection drive as well as a cold, but busy, monthly electronics recycling event held on December 29, 2017.

The OCSWMD continues to offer a monthly residential electronics collection with materials

being sent to Dynamic Recycling in Onalaska, WI. In 2017, this program had 2,560 vehicles pass through, which is an increase from 2,400 vehicles in 2016. All residential electronics included in the landfill ban, as well as a variety of other electronic items, are accepted. In 2017, around 1,900 CRT televisions and 350 CRT monitors were collected from county residents, and, overall, 314,000 pounds of electronics were collected. This program will be continued for 2018 and research has already begun on how to adapt for program-year 2019 and beyond, as the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act kicks in.

Along with electronics recycling, OCSWMD conducts a holiday light drive around Ogle County, beginning prior to Thanksgiving and running throughout January. Collection boxes are stationed at local village halls and fire departments and collected holiday lights are sent to Dynamic Recycling to be shredded and recycled. Dynamic credits the OCSWMD for the material and a donation is made to the local United Way with the proceeds. In 2017 there were 1,180 pounds of lights recycled with \$330 sent to the local United Way for charitable causes in the area.

Numbers are still coming in for the annual Christmas tree collection as well. Residents drop off trees at various points, and on Jan. 6th local high school FFA volunteers picked up trees and brought them in for chipping. The resulting mulch is used by various groups and homeowners for a multitude of projects.

INDUSTRY NEWS continued

KAB RECYCLING BIN GRANTS cont.

country. Applications are open for submission at kab.org/parkrecycling through Feb. 16, 2018.

Now in its 6th year, the program has awarded more than 4,300 bins to local governments and community organizations across more than 40 states for recycling at parks & athletic fields.



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The online resource for information on steel and the environment

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