

FY 2006 Recycling Assistance Grant Summaries

Grant Recipient: Mount Pleasant Band Boosters
5201 Washington Street Ext.
Wilmington, DE 19809
302-651-6885
Contact: Robert Mason

Grant Amount: \$3,059.00
Amount Used: \$3,059.00

Project Description: Double the amount of aluminum recycled in Mount Pleasant High School's existing recycling program by expanding the drop-off recycling at the high school, engaging local businesses to recycle, and promoting recycling through community outreach.

Project Accomplishments: The Mount Pleasant Band Boosters implemented an outreach campaign that included newspaper advertisements, producing a canopy and banner used every month, purchasing additional signage, and distributing refrigerator magnets. They also purchased a shed for storage of aluminum and supplies. The Band Boosters expanded their activities by collecting from several local businesses. In twelve months the program collected about 8,000 pounds of aluminum.

Grant Recipient: Iron Hill Museum
1355 Old Baltimore Pike
Newark, DE 19702
302-368-5703
Contact: Laura M. Lee

Grant Amount: \$5,400.00
Amount Used: \$5,400.00

Project Description: Implement an educational/outreach initiative on recycling, targeting 40 schools in the Christina, Red Clay, Colonial, and Appoquinimink School Districts, as well as additional schools in New Castle and Sussex Counties, and focusing on grades 3 through 6.

Project Accomplishments: Educational outreach was provided to 149 classes and over 3,400 students including scout troops on recycling and resource conservation. Each class group also collected at least 100 pounds of junk mail for recycling.

Grant Recipient: City of Wilmington
Department of Public Works
800 French Street
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-576-3076
Contact: Alfonso Ballard

Grant Amount: \$24,679.00
Amount Used: \$24,679.00

Project Description: Conduct a 6-month pilot curbside recycling program in the City in partnership with RecycleBank.

Project Accomplishments: The City of Wilmington conducted a pilot recycling program in the City with RecycleBank. The program offers participants up to \$30 per month in coupons of their choosing. The City also advertised the recycling program through signs and billboards. They have a very good record of collection parameters which helps both Wilmington and RecycleBank monitor the program. Wilmington and RecycleBank have developed an excellent relationship and the program is now city wide.

Grant Recipient: Middletown High School
120 Silver Lake Road
Middletown, DE 19709
302-376-4140
Contact: Shane Rifenburg

Grant Amount: \$2,237.17
Amount Used: \$2,235.23

Project Description: Establish a program to recycle paper at Middletown High School, with a goal of recycling 13,440 pounds of paper during the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 school years.

Project Accomplishments: Middletown H.S. purchased 81 bins, 5 large containers, and 1 recycling collection cart for recyclables. Teachers held a recycling presentation which was followed by announcements giving recycling facts and advertising the recycling program. Students created a database to track the recycling and in four months, over 8,500 pounds of paper were collected for recycling. Student volunteers collect paper and weigh it before it is taken to be recycled. The average amount of paper collected increased steadily since the program's start. Over 2,800 pounds of paper is diverted from the waste stream each month.

Grant Recipient: University of Delaware
Office of the Vice Provost
210 Hullahen Hall
Newark DE 19716
302-831-2136
Contact: Nancy Rash

Grant Amount: \$14,624.83
Amount Used: \$14,624.83

Project Description: Encourage more composting in Delaware by performing educational outreach to elementary school children, teachers, and the general public.

Project Accomplishments: Composting education programs were conducted at numerous sites throughout New Castle County for over 5,500 youth, teachers, and general public. The University also purchased and distributed 400 backyard composters.