2019 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 thousands of jobs in Wisconsin. To recognize and encourage these efforts, the Wisconsin DNR presents Recycling Excellence Awards to communities, organizations, schools, and businesses who have demonstrated outstanding achievements in recycling and waste diversion.

Who is eligible?

- Any responsible unit (RU)/community, organization, school, or business 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 2019 nomination form must be submitted on behalf of the nominee including all relevant and supporting documentation before midnight, August 31, 2019.
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 (2018) will be considered. Nominations based on planned efforts will not be considered.
4. If submitting any photographs, please complete and return the Photo Release Form
5. If submitting a hard copy application (versus email), please submit 3 identical copies of your application. Please note, applications will not be returned.

Please use the nomination form on the reverse side of this page. Questions can be directed to Rachel Stark at (608)266-9426 or Rachel.Stark@wisconsin.gov.

Once completed, please send your nomination, including this form and all supporting documentation to: Rachel.Stark@wisconsin.gov OR:
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Attn: Rachel Stark WA/2
P.O. Box 7921
Madison, WI 53707-7921

All submissions must be postmarked or received by midnight August 31, 2019.
2019 Recycling Excellence Award Nomination Form

Your name: ________________________________________________________________

Organization/Business/School: ________________________________________________

County in which you are located: ______________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Phone: _______________________________________________________________________

Email: _______________________________________________________________________

Please select the award(s) you are submitting a nomination for:

☐ Excellence in Wisconsin Recycling: Project or Initiative
☐ Excellence in Wisconsin Recycling: Overall Program
☐ Excellence in Wisconsin Recycling: Special Events
☐ Excellence in Wisconsin Recycling: Innovation

If different than above:

Name of RU or organization you are nominating: _________________________________

County in which RU or special event is located: _________________________________

Contact Name: ______________________________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Email: _______________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: __________________________________________________________________

Website address: __________________________________________________________________

Attach documentation that describes the outstanding recycling achievements that deserve recognition. Please include dates, locations and recycling data where applicable and available. Applicants are also encouraged to submit a supporting narrative and materials such as outreach examples, photos, tables, charts, website links, etc.