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## Join Nebraska Recycling Council to kick off the Nebraska Chapter of the U.S. Composting Council!

The Nebraska Recycling Council has founded the Nebraska Chapter of the U.S. Composting Council, and we're ready to kick it off! Two special events will be held, one in Lincoln on June 18th and one in North Platte on June 19th. The events will include open discussion, presentations, and a tour of a local composting facility. For registration and agenda information, click here:



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*Our special guest presenter will be Cary Oshins, Associate Director of the U.S. Composting Council (USCC) and Education Director for the Composting Council Research and Education Foundation (CCREF), where he runs the Composter Training Program, including the highly-regarded Composting Operations Training Course.*

## Call for Artists



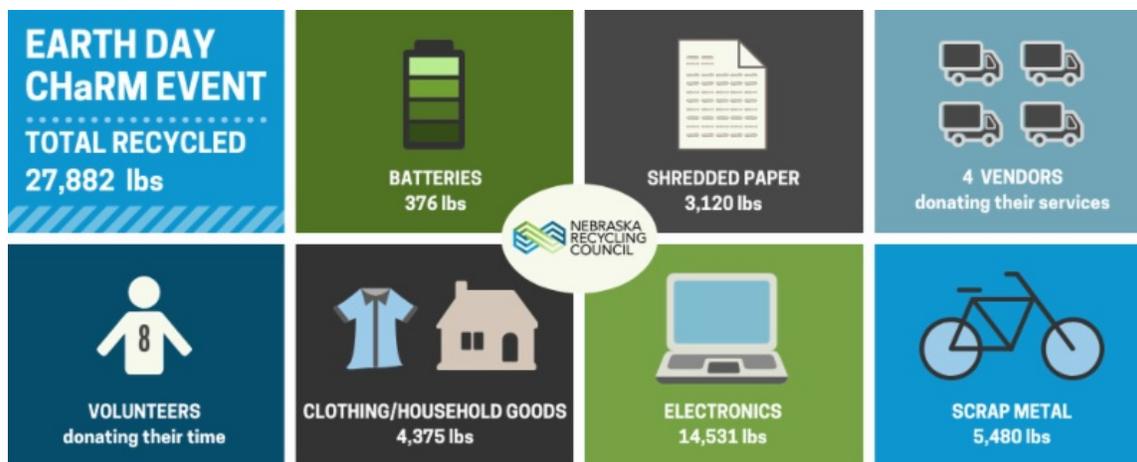
NRC is pleased to announce a juried poster competition for Nebraska artists. Cash awards will be provided for the top 3 submissions. All emerging and established Nebraska artists are encouraged to submit an entry. The poster theme is "Recycling – Good for Communities."

The winner will be announced at NRC's Awards Luncheon on Friday, October 4, 2019. Karen Kunc, internationally renowned artist, teacher and mentor in woodcut printmaking and book arts, and Willa Cather Professor of Art at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln will jury the contest.

For official guidelines click the button below. Submissions must be made between June 1 – August 1, 2019. Deadline for submission: August 1, 2019

## OFFICIAL GUIDELINES & REGISTRATION

### CHaRM Event Report



To celebrate Earth Day, NRC held a CHaRM Event (Collection for Hard to Recycle Materials) at Nebraska Innovation Campus on Saturday, April 27th. We had a successful day, **collecting a total of 27,882 pounds of recyclables, more than double the amount from last year.** Big thanks to our sponsors, vendors, hosts and volunteers: Valmont Industries, Sadoff E-Recycling and Data Destruction, Goodwill of Lincoln, Interstate All Battery, Security Shredding Solutions, Nebraska Innovation Campus, Tetrad Property Group, and Allo Communications.

### Get Recognized for your Awesomeness



**Applying for an award is easier than ever!** The Nebraska Recycling Council's Business and Community Awards will be presented at our Annual Awards Luncheon, Friday, October 4, 2019 at The Country Club of Lincoln. Applications are due July 31, 2019. Only NRC members may apply. See the award categories [HERE](#) and apply online:

## Webinar: "Introducing the Municipal Measurement Program to Nebraska"



How will you improve your municipality's recycling programs this year?

**Tuesday, June 11th**

**12:00 – 1:00 PM**

The Municipal Measurement Program (MMP) launched in January 2019 with the goal of harmonizing the measurement of material management programs and providing municipalities with decision-making tools that can improve recycling program performance. This free Program Assessment and Planning Tool provides participating municipalities with access to powerful analytical reports designed to measure waste diversion performance and improve programs. Municipalities face a variety of challenges when it comes to reducing the amount of waste their communities produce. Program managers have limited time and budget which makes it difficult to properly measure the progress they are making toward achieving their diversion goals. Tracking important performance metrics and researching program improvement options can also be challenging. Without efficient access to reliable program performance reports, municipal staff can struggle to identify the best course of action to improve recycling.



**Join this webinar to discover how the MMP will help municipalities overcome these challenges and improve their waste & recycling programs.**



Josh Reid is the Municipal Services Manager at Emerge Knowledge, the developers of Re-TRAC Connect. He leads the development, implementation, and management of all services designed for municipalities, including the Municipal Measurement Program.



Measure the performance of your waste and recycling programs.

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# We're Hiring!

On account of Julie Diegel's upcoming retirement, we are looking for a new **Executive Director** to take the reins. This is a full-time position in Lincoln, Nebraska. If you'd like to lead our forward-looking organization, apply now!

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## Webinars & Events



### [The Recycling Partnership - Webinar Wednesdays](#)

*Starting in April 2019, The Recycling Partnership launched "Webinar Wednesdays," offering monthly free webinars on contamination-fighting best practices and communications tools to better your community's recycling program. The webinars, which will be held the last Wednesday of every month at 11 am CT, will be alternately hosted by members of The Partnership's Technical Assistance and Communications teams. [Register for July Webinar.](#)*

## Articles of Interest



### [Omaha residents could get yard waste composted, third cart under Mayor Stother's new trash plan](#)

*Under the new plan, residents could put unlimited yard waste at the curb on Saturdays for six weeks each spring and fall. Those clippings would be composted. Individual property owners would not pay more.*

### [Legislation directs EPA to strengthen U.S. recycling](#)

*A funding bill advancing in Congress directs the U.S. EPA to develop a national recycling strategy addressing harmonized labeling, public education and other factors.*

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