

## Nebraska Recycling Council's Fall Conference – Annual Awards

### October 5-7, 2021 | Virtual

The Nebraska Recycling Council's Annual Awards will be presented at our Fall Conference, a virtual, three-day event October 5-7<sup>th</sup>. Any NRC member is eligible, including new members. **Deadline for nominations is July 30, 2021.** Nominations may be made in more than one category. Self-nominations are welcome. Winners will be notified in advance so NRC can produce a brief video presentation.

#### **Award Descriptions**

**Commonwealth Award** recognizes a business, organization, or individual that gives its time, talent, and treasure to the community in which it operates to improve the natural environment or health, welfare, and common good for all stakeholders through better materials management.

**End Market of the Year Award** is presented to a local, regional or international member organization that utilizes recycled commodities from Nebraska recycling generators, processors, collectors and haulers for the manufacture of new goods. The organization is committed to the highest ethical standards that support the recovery of Nebraska's resources.

**Green Team of the Year Award** recognizes a highly-organized, mature green team with the capacity to sustain itself and engage other employees. The team will have implemented systems to identify impacts, set goals, prioritize and implement projects, measure performance and review processes.

Advocacy Champion Award recognizes an individual, municipality, organization, or elected official for significant achievements in advancing resource recovery in Nebraska by working to challenge and change policies, systems, or practices. This individual or entity has performed a vital and critical role in our society through their advocacy efforts, demonstrating leadership and perseverance in supporting recycling and waste diversion systems. This is the only award that does not necessarily require NRC membership.

Waste Diversion Project/Product/Service of the Year Award is presented to a business, community, or organization for a project, product, or service that demonstrates exemplary, innovative, and measurable waste reduction, eliminates or replaces hard-to-recycle materials, and/or creates a closed loop system for recycling or reuse. The recipient applies the highest possible standards for responsible resource management.



# 2021 Nebraska Recycling Council Awards Nomination

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#### Check award nomination category (check all that apply):

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End Market of the Year Award

Green Team of the Year Award

Advocacy Champion Award

□ Waste Diversion Project/Product/Service of the Year Award

Name of Organization Nominated	Primary Contact Name
Street Address	Phone/Email
City/State/Zip	Nominated by (if not a self-nomination)
Number of Years as a Member	Nominator Phone/Email

**Narrative:** Please provide answers to the following statements. Up to two supplemental materials may be included if it directly supports the argument for nomination.

1. General description of achievement(s) related to the award category.



2. Description of leadership and innovation that lead to the achievement(s).

3. Data that verifies the measurable effect of the achievement(s).

4. Impact of waste reduction or zero waste efforts on: stakeholders (community, employees, customers, supply chain); environmental impact and financial impact.

5. Any additional information that might be a factor for consideration, (e.g. employee engagement, community involvement, new company policies, product/process improvement, etc.)