

Kansas Green Teams

Friday Facts



Kansas State Agency Green Team Assembly and Awards Luncheon, July 16th, 2009 Award Recipients

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment hosted the 2nd Annual Kansas Green Team Assembly and Awards Luncheon on July 16, 2009 at the Kansas Museum of History. This year's event had 98 attendees, presenters, exhibitors, and KDHE staff who came together to promote and learn more about waste reduction, recycling, energy reduction and composting within state government.

Best Overall Recycling Program: Hutchinson Correctional Facility

Recently the Hutchinson Correctional Facility implemented a program to reduce waste generation and increase recycling. Their goal is to generate zero waste that must be disposed of at the Reno County landfill from their maximum security Central Unit.

Best Waste Educational Program: Wichita Regional SRS Office

The Wichita Regional SRS Office has developed a great Waste Reduction Education Program that works hand-in-hand with their excellent recycling program.

Outstanding Individual Recycler

There were two winners for this award, both of whom are dedicated to recycling within their state agency.

Galen Hewson

Galen is in charge of their vocational training program with the Larned State Hospital. With a limited budget to compensate residents for their work, Galen has come up with creative ways to recycle or reuse.

Angela Redd

Angela works at the Pittsburg SRS Service Center. She is a dedicated recycler who goes beyond all expectations to ensure that recyclable materials are taken to the local recycling center and not to the landfill. She feels that it is very important to recycle to help ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy a clean and sustainable environment.

There are several other state agency programs that deserve special recognition because they are making a difference for the environment through their Green Team activities.

Recycling Programs:

Larned Juvenile Correctional Facility
El Dorado SRS Service Center
Overland Park, SRS Region 13
Wichita SRS Regional Office
Wellington SRS Office
Johnson County SRS Office
El Dorado Correctional Facility

Educational Program:

Lansing Correctional Facility

Individuals:

Denise Nordyke, KDOT D4A4
Karen Zelzenek, Topeka SRS Service Center
Megan MacPherson, Wichita SRS Regional Office
Romone Gonzales, Garden City SRS Office
Jerry Meredith, Topeka SRS Records Center



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“the most easily managed waste is material that never becomes waste”

