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Martin Distributing Company is honored for recycling

The Recycling Coalition of West Virginia, in collaboration with the state’s 50 solid waste authorities, is honoring **Recycling Champions** who reach beyond their normal responsibilities to contribute time and service to support the recycling industry in the Mountain State. These Recycling Champions provide recycling leadership across the state and make a significant contribution to the recycling community.

The Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority nominated Martin Distributing Company and its 30 employees for their efforts to recycle cardboard, plastic bottles, plastic shrink wrap, aluminum cans, metal strapping bands, metal wine racks and glass bottles. One of West Virginia’s oldest family-owned distributors of high quality beer and wine for over 70 years, Martin has over 300 customers in the Eastern Panhandle.

Martin Distributing employees pack source separated recyclables into gaylord boxes and double stack them into a tractor trailer. About one full trailer is transported to a scrap dealer every month where it is baled and marketed for recycling.

In addition to recycling, the company has implemented other environmentally friendly practices, including providing electric car charging stations, has installed roof mounted solar panels and motion detection lights.

Martin Distributing Company will be recognized as a Recycling Champion by the Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority at 11:10 a.m. on April 19 during the Berkeley County Council meeting in Martinsburg, 400 West Stephen St., Suite 201.

Other 2018 West Virginia Recycling Champions include:

- Pleasant Hill Elementary, nominated by Calhoun County Solid Waste Authority
- Boys & Girls Club of Marion County, nominated by Marion County Solid Waste Authority
- John C. Webster, nominated by Morgan County Solid Waste Authority

The Recycling Coalition of West Virginia is a non-profit environmental organization whose mission is to promote the effective and sustainable reduction, reuse and recycling of materials otherwise destined for disposal. The Recycling Coalition pursues these goals through the promotion of purchasing products made with recycled content material; by coordinating and facilitating activities relative to recycling; and by fostering communication among organizations, government agencies and individuals through the sharing of ideas and resources.

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