



# Recycling Coalition of WV, Inc.

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## **Berkeley County resident honored for recycling efforts**

The Recycling Coalition of West Virginia, in collaboration with the West Virginia Solid Waste Management Board and 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 Recycling Coalition is proud to honor Berkeley County resident Wally Reynolds who, at the age of 80, has been actively recycling for many years. Well known for his ardent recycling habit, Reynolds regularly brings paper, cardboard, plastic containers, aluminum and steel cans, glass bottles and scrap metal to both the Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority Grapevine Road Recycling Center and the South Berkeley Recycling Center.

Not only does Reynolds collect recyclables from home, but brings materials from other family and friends. In addition, Reynolds repairs bicycles at his home, then sells the bikes inexpensively or gives them away for free to those in need. Since recycling programs are proven to reduce litter, conserve resources, reduce pollution and create jobs, the entire community benefits from Reynolds' activities. His enthusiasm for recycling makes everyone in the community a winner.

Reynolds will be honored on April 30 at the eighth annual Eastern Panhandle Earth Day Celebration at Morgan's Grove Park, just outside of Shepherdstown.

### **Other 2016 West Virginia Recycling Champions include:**

City of Bridgeport, nominated by the Harrison County Solid Waste Authority  
Frank Young, nominated by the Jackson County Solid Waste Authority  
Ron Williams, nominated by the Kanawha County Solid Waste Authority  
Brian Wilmoth, nominated by the Marion County Solid Waste Authority  
Claude Marra, nominated by the Pleasants County Solid Waste Authority  
Harold Lowe, nominated by the Roane County Solid Waste Authority  
Craig Morris, nominated by the Taylor County Solid Waste Authority  
Stuart Thayer, nominated by the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority  
Dr. G. Paul Richter, nominated by the Upshur 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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