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Putnam County volunteer 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.

Rickey S. Fisher has volunteered his time and service to the Putnam County Solid Waste Authority for seven years. He works tirelessly at county recycle days by greeting county citizens and helping them unload their vehicle. At the end of the day, he helps haul the material to a local recycling facility. His energy and presence demonstrate his enthusiasm toward recycling. He is always one of the first to arrive to volunteer and last to leave any collection event. On average, these events collect between 25 and 30 tons of material.

Fisher also regularly volunteers to haul newspapers and office paper for the Putnam County Solid Waste Authority School Scholarship Program several times per month. Without volunteers like Rickey, these programs would be nearly impossible to complete. By the end of the last school year, the Putnam County Solid Waste Authority School Scholarship Program had collected 225 tons of material. Fisher's help and dedication to recycling for fellow citizens in Putnam County is an invaluable asset to the program's success.

The Coalition is proud to honor Fisher for his steadfast support of the Putnam County Solid Waste Authority Recycling Program. Fisher was recognized as a Recycling Champion at the Putnam County Solid Waste Authority meeting on Aug.14.

Other 2017 West Virginia Recycling Champions include:

- James Rumsey Technical Institute, nominated by Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority
- Marion County Commission, nominated by Marion County Solid Waste Authority
- Moundsville Middle School, nominated by Marshall 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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Presentation of the Recycling Champion Award to the Rickey Fisher. From left to right are Putnam County Solid Waste Authority Board Chair Kenneth Tucker, Putnam County Solid Waste Authority Board Member Wayne Bennett, Rickey Fisher – Recycling Champion, Putnam County Solid Waste Authority Board Members Roger Randolph and Kimberly Parsons.