



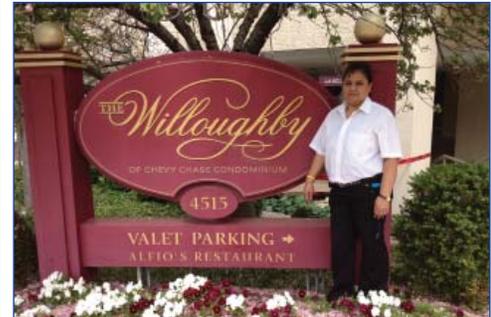
2015 Multi-Family Recycling Achievement Recipients

Once again, the highlight of Montgomery County's Recycling Awareness Week (May 18 -22) was the Annual Recycling Achievement Recognition Ceremony held at the Bethesda North Marriot Hotel & Conference Center on Wednesday, May 20. On this day, the Division of Solid Waste Services honored 80 individuals, businesses, and multi-family properties for outstanding achievements in recycling, waste reduction, reuse, buying recycled-content products, and public education.

Among the 80 recipients were sixteen multi-family properties, two multi-family property managers, and two multi-family property residents. This newsletter is dedicated to recognizing these recipients for their efforts and contributions to increase recycling to achieve Montgomery County's goal to reduce waste and recycle 70 percent by 2020.

Property Staff - Recycling Achievement

Awarded to multi-family property staff that made significant improvements to their property's recycling programs.



Thomas Doody

As Property Manager of Brookside Apartments/Temple Housing in Kensington, Mr. Doody has improved Brookside's existing recycling program by increasing recycling capacity and providing recycling education to residents on a regular basis. He also was a guest speaker at a Multi-Family Recycling Program seminar.

Elieth Montiel

Ms. Montiel is the Cleaning Supervisor at The Willoughby of Chevy Chase Condominium. Under her watchful eye, The Willoughby's trash and recycling rooms are always immaculately clean. She also checks the recycling containers daily to ensure that all recyclable materials are separated and being recycled properly.

Excellence in Recycling

Awarded to multi-family properties that demonstrated excellence in their recycling efforts during 2014 that resulted in the property recycling 70 percent or more of its waste stream.



Avalon at Grosvenor Station

Avalon at Grosvenor Station recycled 80 percent of its waste in 2014. Since 2012, it has more than doubled its recycling rate by increasing its mixed paper recycling capacity and the amount of scrap metal recycled.



Berkshires at Rock Spring

Berkshires at Rock Spring recycled 86 percent of its waste in 2014. It reduces waste by using an online rent payment system; emailing property communications and newsletters to residents; and utilizing its social media sites to communicate news and events.



Churchill Senior Living

Churchill Senior Living's 90 percent recycling rate in 2014 was the highest in the County and the third time in four years that it recycled more than 70 percent of its waste. Staff members are very proactive in continually looking for ways to improve its recycling program.



The Sterling

Staff and residents at The Sterling recycled 71 percent of their waste in 2014. Staff reduces waste in the office by reusing items whenever possible and reducing paper usage through the use of electronic newsletters and correspondence with residents.



Victory Terrace

Victory Terrace recycled 88 percent of its waste in 2014. Staff conducts bilingual recycling seminars for residents, and promotes waste reduction by hosting yard sales, encouraging the donation of used items, and providing reusable mugs for office functions.



The Waterford Condominium

The Waterford Condominium recycled 73 percent of its waste in 2014. Its recycling program is driven by staff and its Green Team Committee, which is committed to educating residents about recycling and green energy opportunities.



Willow Manor at Cloppers Mill

Willow Manor at Cloppers Mill recycled 73 percent of its waste in 2014. Management organized a cellphone donation program and set up donation stations for other items from residents in an effort to reduce the amount of waste generated.



Willow Manor at Colesville

Willow Manor at Colesville recycled 70 percent of its waste in 2014—the third time in four years that it reached this level. To help reduce waste, staff provides reusable shopping bags to residents and decreased the frequency of paper-based notices sent to residents.

Presenting the awards and pictured with the award recipients are, from left to right: Ms. Eileen Kao, Chief, Waste Reduction and Recycling Section, DSWS; Mr. Lou Katz, 97.1 WASH-FM guest speaker; Council Vice President Nancy Floreen, Montgomery County Council; Mr. Isiah Leggett, Montgomery County Executive; Ms. Lisa Feldt, Director, Department of Environmental Protection; and Mr. Alan Pultyniewicz, Recycling Coordinator, DSWS.

Outstanding Efforts in Recycling

Awarded to multi-family properties, property management companies, and resident recycling committees that established or contributed to excellent recycling and waste reduction efforts.



Asbury Methodist Village

Asbury Methodist Village recycled 62 percent of its waste in 2014. Staff and residents are committed to reducing waste and recycling as much as possible. They host many recycling education events where residents are always excited to talk about how they can recycle more.



Cherry Knoll Apartments

Cherry Knoll Apartments recycled 62 percent of its waste in 2014. Since 2009, it has doubled its recycling capacity while reducing trash generation by two-thirds. To reduce waste, staff maintains electronic records and utilizes E-brochures.



Colonnade at Kentlands

The Colonnade at Kentlands recycled 64 percent of its waste in 2014. A key component of this was dramatically increasing recycling capacity and adding a third weekly recycling collection day. Its newsletter also reminds residents about what and how to recycle.



Decoverly IV Condominium

Decoverly IV Condominium recycled 64 percent of its waste in 2014. The secret to its continued success has been increasing the frequency of recycling collection and implementing a convenient scrap metal recycling program for its residents.



Jefferson at Inigo's Crossing

Jefferson at Inigo's Crossing achieved a 62 percent recycling rate in 2014. Property staff promotes in-home waste reduction and reuse opportunities to residents, while practicing what it preaches in its own work space.



The Promenade

The Promenade recycled 59 percent of its waste in 2014. Property staff and its resident Green Team have created an outstanding recycling program and have helped The Promenade recycle more than fifty percent of its waste during the past six years.



Riderwood Village

Riderwood Village recycled 68 percent of its waste in 2014. Riderwood staff and residents recycle more than a dozen additional categories of recyclables—including 320 tons of food scraps—and participate in regular recycling education events.



The Riviera of Chevy Chase

The Riviera of Chevy Chase recycled 69 percent of its waste in 2014. Management increased recycling capacity and sorting efforts, allowing it to reduce trash collection frequency. Staff rely upon resident "Floor Watchers" to monitor and report any issues.

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Multi-Family Resident - Recycling Achievement

Awarded to multi-family residents that made significant contributions to improving the recycling and waste reduction efforts of their property



Louise Liu

Louise Liu is a resident at Seneca Knolls Condominium where she is extremely active in labeling recycling containers, hanging recycling posters, and distributing "baby blue" bins to residents. She also recruits fellow residents to help monitor the recycling areas.

Margo Morrison

Margo Morrison, age 90 and a Friends House Retirement Community resident for 20 years, walks the center's five separate residential wings once or twice each day to check the trash rooms and make sure everything is being recycled properly.

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Gaithersburg, MD 20877
Friday, August 14: 3:00 pm-12:00 midnight
Saturday, August 15 - Saturday, August 22:
10:00 am - 12:00 midnight

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