

NWMC Community Environmental Stewardship Award

2007 Award Nomination Form

Awards will be presented at NWMC Annual Banquet on June 20, 2007.

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Use additional sheets for answers if necessary

LIST SIGNIFICANT "GREEN ACTIVITIES" YOUR MUNICIPALITY/TOWNSHIP HAS ACCOMPLISHED OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS (i.e., community recycling, Tree City USA, etc.).

- Tree City USA (for 19 consecutive years) (planted trees at local schools) (ARBOR DAY)
- Cans for Cash Recycling Challenge - won in 2005
- Community Recycling since 1990's
- Sub-sized Compost bins to residents (one-year program)
- Earth Day: Schools are provided with brown bags for children to color & illustrate messages for earth day. Bags are then distributed at the local stores as residents purchase items.

LIST "GREEN ACTIVITIES" YOUR MUNICIPALITY/TOWNSHIP HAS ACCOMPLISHED IN 2006 (i.e., switching to recycling carts, joined Clean Air Counts, conducted an electronics recycling event, etc.)

- Have drop-off site for local residents for automobile batteries, household batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and some electronic equipment.
- Branch & leaf collection programs. Branches get recycled as chips - provided to residents or used in beautification projects. Leafs get recycled by contractor.
- Christmas tree recycling program for residents every January.
- 50/50 Program for tree plantings on parkways.

EXPLAIN WHY YOUR MUNICIPALITY/TOWNSHIP SHOULD BE AWARDED NWMC COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP RECOGNITION.

Des Plaines should be awarded an award based on its many years of dedicated tree programs & activities to its residents as well as its various environmental programs that are offered to its community. Des Plaines intends to continue providing outstanding services & programs to its residents & plans to increase its environmental programs & notification each year within the community.

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