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## **VIRGINIA RECYCLING ASSOCIATION AWARDS RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING RECYCLING PROGRAMS**

Each year the Virginia Recycling Association (VRA) recognizes the best waste reduction and recycling programs in the state at an awards ceremony. Nominations are sought from the public and private sectors, business, industry, schools, government and non-government agencies, civic or volunteer organizations and individuals for recognition in twelve categories.

“The Virginia Recycling Association is thrilled to celebrate each of these thirteen exemplary recyclers honored for our 2016 Recycling Awards,” said Debbie Spiliotopoulos, VRA President. “The VRA awards program shines a spotlight on the importance of recycling to Virginia’s economy, environmental protection, and sustainable management of over 12 million tons of waste generated annually in the state.”

The 2016 award recipients are:

Recycler of the Year – RVA Green the Scene – 2015 UCI Road World Championships, Richmond

Outstanding College Program – Appalachian College of Pharmacy, Oakwood

Outstanding School Program – Riverview Elementary and Middle Schools, Grundy

Outstanding City/County Recycling Program – City of Manassas

Outstanding Service Provider – Republic Services

Outstanding Small Business – Evolution Glass LLC, Charlottesville

Outstanding Large Business – Recycling and Disposal Solutions of Virginia, Inc., Roanoke

Outstanding Local Government Program – Newport News Resource Recovery, Recovery Operations Center

Outstanding Public Leadership – Senator Adam P. Ebbin

Outstanding Litter Prevention Program – Keep Norfolk Beautiful, City of Norfolk

Outstanding Rural Innovation – Goochland County Department of Community Development

Outstanding Organics Program – Fort Lee Dining Facility Dehydrator Program, Prince George County

Outstanding Media – WSLs TV 10, Roanoke

For more information about the honorees, visit [www.vrarecycles.org](http://www.vrarecycles.org).

The VRA was formed in 1990 by a group of individuals who are committed to expanding state recycling opportunities. Since its inception, the VRA has become the leading resource of recycling information for our members, the general public, the Virginia General Assembly, local government, business, and industry.

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*The VRA is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization providing leadership in sustainable recycling and resource management in Virginia.*