Welcome to GRC's monthly Green Sheet Electronic Update! We hope you find the information helpful.

Please send us releases, captioned photos and other great news that you want to share with the membership; email us at garecycles@mindspring.com

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**Call for Presentations**

Speaker abstracts are being sought for the GRC 26th Annual Conference. Subject Areas include, but not limited to:

- Funding Mechanisms
- Marketing Strategies
- Reducing Contamination
- Tool & Toolkits
- Sustainable Materials Management
- Beyond the Bin
- Innovative Education Outreach
- Collection Innovation

- Market Development
- Processing Improvements
- Measuring Success
- Waste Reduction Initiatives
- Corporate Sustainability
- Climate Change & Recycling
- Organics Innovation
- Away From Home

Submit to GRC at garecycles@mindspring.com by April 14, 2017.

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**Dogwood Fest Eco-Village Volunteers - April 7-9, 2017**

GRC will participate in the Atlanta Dogwood Festival Eco-Village in Piedmont Park from April 7-9. Email garecycles@mindspring.com to find out time slots to volunteer (3 hours) on either Friday afternoon, Saturday 10:00 AM-6:00 PM or Sunday 10:00 AM-6:00 PM.
ICAW Events & POSTERS Available

Doing an event for International Compost Awareness Week during May 7-13, 2017? GRC has posters to promote & enhance your local event. Send us the date, location and details of your event and we will mail you some posters (make sure to include your full US mailing address). garecycles@mindspring.com

To find out more about holding events, find a template for local ICAW proclamations for your community, and to post your local event on the national ICAW web site, check this link: http://compostfoundation.org/icaw-get-involved-events.

Closed Loop Fund Releases RFP for Polypropylene Projects

Closed Loop Fund (CLF), an investment fund that finances recycling infrastructure and sustainable manufacturing technologies to advance the circular economy, has announced its requesting for proposals (RFPs) for projects that collect, sort and/or process postconsumer polypropylene (PP) plastic.

CLF says there is an opportunity to increase recovery of PP with the proper infrastructure, driving cost savings for municipalities, increasing revenue for material recovery facilities (MRFs) and supplying greater volumes of high-value material into the manufacturing stream.

"Research indicates that MRFs can profitably sort PP by upgrading or expanding sorting equipment, as well as by leveraging innovative technologies. In addition, plastic recovery facilities (PRFs) and secondary MRFs can drive value to MRFs by purchasing ‘mixed’ bales of plastic and further sorting for value," says CLF. "The profitability and applicability of solutions can vary depending on the local context, including volumes, collection programs, population and end-market proximity. CLF is interested in any project that addresses the above situation."

To apply, complete the standard CLF application, which is available online at http://www.closedlooppartners.com/apply/ and submit to bob@closedloopfund.com.

Last Call!!

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Green Schools
CONFERENCE AND EXPO
Every year, the Green Schools Conference & Expo connects green school champions nationwide for two days of learning and collaboration to support our shared mission of equitable, healthy and high-performing schools, where students can learn how to sustain and improve the world around them.

This year's **Green Schools Conference and Expo will be held in Atlanta, GA, from March 21 - 22, 2017** and will bring together hundreds of green school leaders, educators, administrators, advocates, practitioners and enthusiasts from across the nation. This event presents a unique opportunity for the brightest and most influential individuals in the fields of education, building design and construction, facilities management, public administration, and more, together, share, and learn from one another while advancing the green schools movement.

For information: [http://greenschoolsconference.org/](http://greenschoolsconference.org/)

and registration: [https://register.greenschoolsconference.org/2017/registration/](https://register.greenschoolsconference.org/2017/registration/)

Thank you for your continued support of our great state recycling organization!

**Sincerely,**

Gloria Hardegree
Georgia Recycling Coalition