

Additional Resources:

Healthy Sustainable Schools:

<http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publications/p-p2s6-01.pdf>

HealthySEAT

<http://www.epa.gov/schools/healthyseat/>

Recycling Guide for Minnesota Schools

<http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publications/recyclingguide-schools.pdf>

NorthEast Service Cooperative Purchasing

http://www.nesc.k12.mn.us/cooperative_purchasing

Iron Range Youth in Action

<http://www.irya.org/>

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
SOLID WASTE DIVISION**

307 First St. S., Ste. 115
Virginia, MN 55792
1-800-450-9278
www.stlouiscounty.org/recycle

Grant facilitator: Mary McReynolds
218-749-0648
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**2010 School
Waste Reduction and
Recycling Grant**



How to apply

Step 1:

Verify that your school is an eligible applicant within the North Service Area (see buff area on map inside) and that your project meets the funding guidelines in this brochure.

Step 2:

Adopt either the 'Healthy Sustainable Schools' or the 'HealthySEAT' as a guideline for waste reduction and recycling in your school.

Step 3:

Complete the enclosed application form and attach a certified copy of the resolution passed by your school board approving submittal of the grant request and pledging to carry out the proposed project. Enclose a letter of request that clearly identifies what separate accounting procedures will be in place to allow the County to audit the expenditures if necessary.

Mail application to:

**St. Louis County
Environmental Services Department
Solid Waste Division
Atten: Mary McReynolds
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**Deadline for application is
December 1, 2010.**



2010 RECYCLING AND WASTE REDUCTION GRANT FOR SCHOOLS

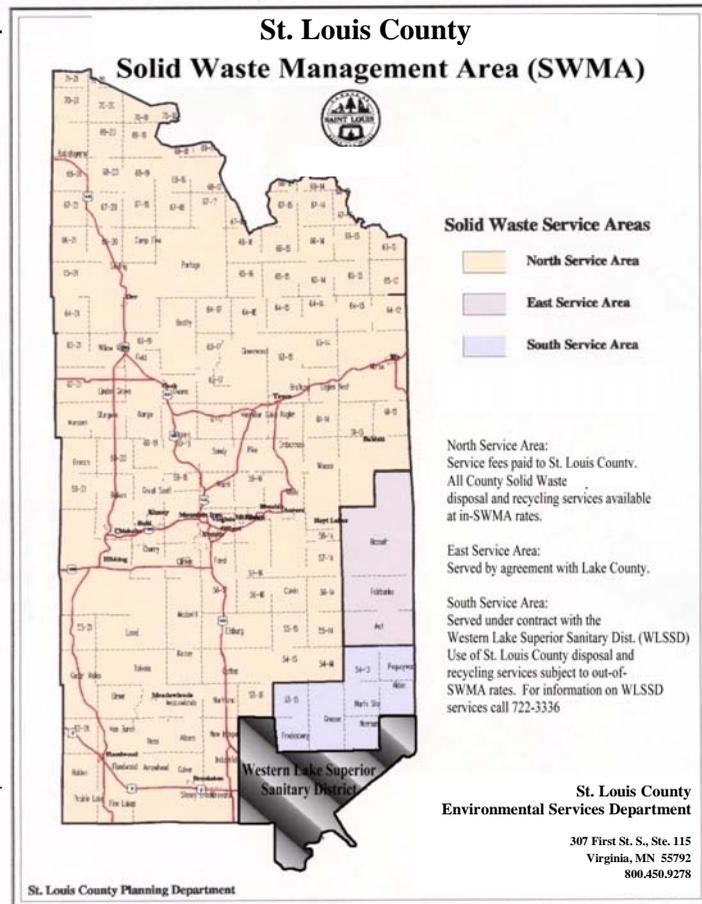
GRANT PURPOSE:

St. Louis County, through its Environmental Services Department, has established a **2010 Recycling and Waste Reduction Grant** (Grant) for elementary and secondary schools. The purpose of the Grant is to help schools within the County's North Solid Waste Service Area increase recycling and waste reduction efforts. Through this Grant, the County will provide financial and technical assistance in partnership with Iron Range Youth in Action (IRYA), which will provide on-site program assistance.

The County has established the 2010 Grant Program for the following reasons:

- State law requires all public entities, including schools, to recycle a minimum of three types of materials (§115A.151.)
- The Environmental Services Department believes that additional quantities of materials are available for recycling in the County waste stream and the County wishes to support and expand long-term recycling.
- The County is committed to developing improved waste reduction programs within county offices, and wishes to support similar efforts on a local level.
- The County wishes to support ongoing long term waste education efforts.

Elementary and secondary Schools located within the North Solid Waste Service Area (buff colored area on map below) are eligible to apply.



DURATION OF PROGRAM:

Applications must be received by December 1, 2010.

Expenses must be incurred by March 1, 2011.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

All elementary and secondary schools located within the Environmental Services Department North Solid Waste Service Area (see map) are eligible to apply.

TYPES OF ELIGIBLE COSTS:

- Recycling equipment (collection carts, containers, etc.)
- Recycling/waste reduction curriculum or other education costs
- Other innovative recycling or waste reduction activities
- Student awards/incentives related to development of a sustainable long-term recycling program.

INELIGIBLE COSTS:

- Conference or seminar attendance
- Travel costs
- Disposal of contaminated recyclables

MAXIMUM GRANT:

The County will grant awards for qualifying projects up to:

- \$3.00 per student of the applying school based on the most current data from the Minnesota Department of Education, and;
- \$10.00 per classroom for posters and curriculum, and;
- \$10.00 per classroom for collection bins, and;
- \$300 per school for janitorial carts

OTHER COUNTY ASSISTANCE:

The County will provide technical assistance to determine best management for waste and recyclables at each school campus. The County will provide equipment and haulage of recyclables based on need as determined by County staff.

OTHER ASSISTANCE:

- Iron Range Youth in Action will provide student and advisor assistance for teachers and school staff so that materials collected meet the specification of the County's recycling program. IRYA will provide a summary report for each school to the County and school administration.
- Recycling bin purchases can be made through the Northeast Service Cooperative.

SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS:

- District leadership for each participating school is asked to adopt either the Environmental Protection Agency's *'HealthySEAT'* or the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's *'Healthy Sustainable Schools'* as reference and guidelines for future waste management policies.
- District leadership for each participating school is required to adopt a resolution authorizing participation in this grant program.
- Each school is required to establish a 'green team' and appoint a staff representative who will be the contact person for recycling and waste reduction programs.

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