

City of Buffalo Offers Environmentally Friendly Programs

The City of Buffalo sponsored a Community Shredding and Recycling Event on Nov. 3. As Grand Prize winners of the summer's "Let's DO This! Block Club Recycling Competition," the 18th Street Comm-N-Unity Block Club hosted the event. Community Shredding events are designed for city residents to safely and securely shred and recycle their confidential personal papers.

"I encourage city residents to bring their household and personal papers to this community shredding event that is designed to help fight identity theft," said Mayor Byron W. Brown. "I applaud the 18th Street Comm-N-Unity Block Club for working with their neighbors to participate in the City of Buffalo Recycling Programs."

On Nov. 15th, Mayor Brown proclaimed it America Recycles Day in the City of Buffalo! He issued the proclamation at Dash's Market on Hertel Ave., where he hosted a Community Plastic Bag Recycling Collection event. Plastic bags are listed among the top contaminants in the green recycling totes for the City of Buffalo.



Some of the plastic bags collected at the America Recycles Day event.

Every person who brought plastic bags to the event received an eco-friendly reusable bag from the City of Buffalo and Dash's Market, and were entered to win a Dash's gift card. A craft station was also set up for children and adults to make their own reusable bags out of t-shirts donated by Goodwill and Hearts for the Homeless.



(left to right) Susan Attridge, City of Buffalo Director of Recycling, Joe Dash, of Dash's Market, Buffalo Mayor Byron W. Brown and Councilman Joel Feroletto participated at the America Recycles Day event at Dash's Market.

Mayor Brown also announced that the City of Buffalo will host an 'After the Holidays Recycling and Electronics Waste Recycling' event on January 5th at the City of Buffalo Engineering Garage. This event was created to encourage city residents to properly dispose of electronic equipment. At this event, residents may also recycle Christmas tree lights, used clothing, clean white bulk Styrofoam, Christmas trees and can even walk away with a bag of mulch!

"After the holidays we are pleased to offer city residents the additional opportunity to properly and safely recycle unwanted computers and electronic items," said Brown. "By participating in this event, residents are helping to reduce the amount of unsafe disposals in our area, which can be harmful to their health as well as the environment."