

## MDEQ Awards Fall Competitive Solid Waste Assistance Grants

MDEQ recently awarded more than \$365,000 in Fall Competitive Solid Waste Assistance Grants to municipalities, counties, regional solid waste management authorities and other multi-county entities for various types of local solid waste projects and programs. Eligible grant projects include cleanup of unauthorized dumps; establishment of collection programs for white goods or other bulky wastes; support for recycling and waste reduction programs, public education campaigns on solid waste and recycling; salary support for local solid waste enforcement officers; household hazardous waste collection programs; and, other activities that support proper management and recycling of solid wastes. Grant applications received on or before October 1, 2020, were evaluated and ranked.



### Competitive Grant Awards

**Adams County** -- \$25,000 for the county's illegal dumpsite cleanup and Solid Waste Enforcement Officer programs.

**Bolivar County** -- \$50,000 for the county's Household Hazardous Waste collection program.

**Chickasaw County** -- \$25,000 for the county's Household Hazardous Waste program and the Solid Waste Enforcement Officer program.

**Harrison County** -- \$75,000 for the county's Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste collection programs.

**City of Hattiesburg** -- \$75,000 for a regional Household Hazardous Waste collection program.

**Leake County** -- \$35,715 for the county's Solid Waste Enforcement Officer program.

**Town of Monticello** -- \$23,000 for the local Household Hazardous Waste collection program.

**City of Natchez** -- \$25,000 for the city's illegal dumpsite cleanup program.

**City of Picayune** -- \$25,000 for a local Household Hazardous Waste collection program

**City of Richland** -- \$29,464 for the city's Solid Waste Enforcement Officer program.

MDEQ is proud to partner with these local governments to improve solid waste management conditions in their areas. Counties, municipalities, and local government

organizations can apply for the next round of solid waste assistance grants with the deadline for the Spring Competitive Solid Waste Assistance Grants being April 1, 2021. In addition, the deadline for county governments to apply for the non-competitive county grants is April 30, 2021. For more information on these solid waste assistance grants, contact Taaka Scott Bailey or Tonisha Rogers at 601-961-5171.