



# 2021 Recycling Awards

*Submission Deadline - 3:00pm, April 30, 2021*

Each year Recycle Colorado seeks nominations for our annual Recycling Awards. These prestigious awards recognize governmental entities, individuals, companies, media and organizations for their excellence in recycling or promotion of recycling. Award recipients will be notified by May 21, 2021.

Submit a Nomination: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2021recyclingawards>

## Recycling Award Categories

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| <b>Outstanding Outreach</b>  | This award will be given to an individual, media outlet, educational institution (college, university, public/private school, school district, etc.), municipal entity (city, county or state government) or nonprofit organization that in the last year has worked to promote recycling, composting or waste reduction in Colorado. This could be through a community outreach program or a high-impact story that was covered in the media. Who was the audience and how was the information distributed? What was the impact? Did the media coverage or program result in additional coverage throughout the year? A link to an actual article or examples of outreach materials should also be submitted. |
| <b>Outstanding Elected Official</b>                                      | This award will be given to an elected official at any governmental level whose actions in office have significantly contributed to recycling and reducing waste in Colorado during the past year. What did this individual accomplish that distinguishes them?  |
| <b>Outstanding Business Recycling/Diversion Program</b>                  | This award will be given to a company or organization whose work and/or innovation has furthered and expanded recycling in Colorado. The business' primary function can be recycling, but this is not a requirement. Organics and electronics programs fall into this category.  |
| <b>Outstanding Government or Nonprofit Recycling / Diversion Program</b> | This award will be given to a public agency or nonprofit organization that leads by example, creating programs that effectively increase recycling and waste diversion. Organics and electronics programs fall into this category.   |
| <b>Outstanding Volunteer Of the Year</b>                                 | This award will be given to an individual whose volunteer actions have significantly contributed to recycling and reduced solid waste in Colorado during the past year. What did this individual accomplish that distinguishes them?   |
| <b>'Cara Russell' Rising Star</b>  | This award will be given to an individual Recycle Colorado member that has demonstrated an eagerness to jump into the world of recycling, with passion and enthusiasm. This person has contributed a significant amount of his/her time, resources and dedication to their organization for the betterment of the world around them.   |
| <b>Recycler of the Year</b>  | This award will be given to an individual Recycle Colorado member whose actions have significantly furthered recycling and reduced solid waste in Colorado and the region during the past year. Please include what the individual accomplished that distinguishes them. Was the nominee's work above and beyond the normal scope of their duties?   |
| <b>Lifetime Achievement</b>  | This award will be given to an individual Recycle Colorado member whose actions have significantly furthered recycling and reduced solid waste in Colorado and the region during their lifetime. What did this individual accomplish that distinguishes them? Was the nominee's work above and beyond the normal scope of their duties?  |