



Choose Environmental Excellence Awards

Past to Present

2002

- Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Pleasant Hope High School Stream Team.
- Ozark Greenways, Inc recognized City Utilities of Springfield Transit Division
- The Solid Waste Management District "O" sponsored three awards: Mike Inman, City of Springfield, Bette Houzenga, Ed and Pat Garton, City of Ozark Post Office, and Ray Birchler and Greene County Maintenance Staff.
- Barbara Lucks recognized Cheryl "Shae" Johnson, 4th Grade teacher at Greenwood Lab School with the Environmental Educator Award.
- A presentation of the first Show-Me Yards & Neighborhoods yard sign to Dick Lawless was also a part of the awards ceremony.

2003

- Ozark Greenways, Inc. recognized Mike Mitchell
- Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Willard High School teacher Diane Crain
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Advisory Board presented their award to Ann Carter, Education Director, Discovery Center

2004—1st Year at Chamber

- Ozark Greenways recognized John Haik, owner of Ozark Adventures.
- Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Mike Penprase and News-Leader.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Advisory Board recognized Ken Reiss, Computer Recycling Center.
- Barbara Lucks recognized Dr. Melida Gutierrez, Associate Professor at SMSU with the Environmental Educator Award.
- Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce recognized Northstar Battery Company

2005

- Ozark Greenways recognized Towe Construction Company.
- Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized the Discovery Center of Springfield.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Advisory Board members recognized the efforts of Ozarks Correctional Center, (OCC), Fordland.
- Barbara Lucks recognized Joe Pitts, Department of Natural Resources Environmental Education Unit with the Environmental Educator Award.
- Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce recognized Chamber Member Nestle Purina PetCare.

2006

- Ozark Greenways recognized Kennedy Contractors
- Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Judson Whitlinger, recently retired from the City of Springfield's Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Advisory Board recognized Phillip Lingard, Sr., Executive Director of Enterprises Unlimited
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Energy Star Homebuilders Lance Wright, Scott Kisling and Lloyd Babcock

- The Tree City USA Citizen's Advisory Committee recognized the neighborhood groups that have participated in the NeighborWoods Program
- Barbara Lucks recognized Marie Steinwachs, Director of the Office of Waste Management for University of Missouri Extension with the Environmental Educator Award. Sixty area dentists were recognized through the Greene county Dental Society for their commitment mercury amalgam recycling as a result of Ms. Steinwachs efforts.

2007

- Ozark Greenways recognized the Storm Tree Team. The Team included: Noel Boyer with A&A Tree Service, Kevin Harrell with ArborCare of the Ozarks and Tim Crews with Ryan's Lawn and Tree Services
- Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized the Green Circle Team for their Developer of the Year Award and the Rader Family Farm for their LandOwner of the Year Award
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board recognized Elizabeth Aull, Recycling Coordinator of Nestle Purina PetCare Company-- There was a special service award given to Greene County Resource Manager and Waste District "O" Chair, Tim Smith
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized St. John's Regional Health Center, represented by Bob Norton, David Gollhofer and Randy Scott
- The Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee recognized Springfield Public Works staff Joe Payne, Operations Supervisor and Alan Moore, Urban Forester, for their efforts during and following the January Ice Storm.
- Barbara Lucks recognized Jay Barber, Conservation Education Consultant with the Missouri Department of Conservation
- The Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce recognized Chamber member The Discovery Center of Springfield
- Special Presentation/Award:
- Amy Bhesania, representing Region 7, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recognized City Utilities of Springfield as a Blue Skyways Partner and the City of Springfield was recognized as a Blue Skyways Community for efforts to participate in the Blue Skyways Collaborative.

2008

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Millsap Farms of Springfield with their Agriculture Award and the environmental consulting firm of EMSI for their Business Award.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board recognized Sarah Davis with their 2008 Environmental Service Award.
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Black Oak Organics and Innoviro, two businesses that are very much a part of the Green movement here in Springfield, Missouri.
- The Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee recognized KOLR-Channel 10 for their leadership and support of the Re-Forest the Ozarks Project.
- The Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce recognized the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield.
- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society recognized Kay Johnson, Volunteer Coordinator for the Greater Ozarks Audubon Society, for the hundreds of hours he has devoted to conservation in the Ozarks by awarding him the Greater Ozarks Audubon's "Life Award for Environmental Excellence.

2009

- Ozark Greenways, Inc. recognized Hood-Rich Architecture and Engineers. Since the inception of Ozark Greenways in 1989, the staff and partners of Hood-Rich Architecture & Engineers have been involved with the advancement of our community's greenway system, both in professional design and community support.
- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Price-Cutter Stores, which have implemented a large number of Eco-Friendly Actions, including composting food wastes, promoting reusable cloth grocery bags, recycling cardboard and reducing electricity use.

- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board recognized the Urban Districts Alliance for their Downtown Glass Recycling Project. The program was launched in August, 2008, after the Urban Districts Alliance received a grant from the Waste District.
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Matt O'Reilly, Owner of Dynamic Earth and Green Circle Shopping Center. Matt is a purposeful businessman that has taken the lead in developing green building in the Ozark's by pushing the envelope with the soon to be LEED Platinum certified Green Shopping Center.
- The City of Springfield's Tree City USA Citizen's Advisory Committee recognized Friends of the Garden. Founded in 2000, Friends of the Garden has worked tirelessly to establish and facilitate a Botanical Center, gardens, and arboretum at Springfield's Close Botanical Gardens, Lake Drummond, Nathanael Greene, and Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden.
- The Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce recognized Chamber member Southern Missouri Containers Packaging Group with their "Choose Environmental Excellence" Business Award.
- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society recognized Sue Schuble as the recipient of this year's Conservation Environmental Excellence award. She is a previous Vice President and President of the Chapter and presently a member of the Board of Directors.
- Barbara Lucks Environmental/Conservation Education Award was presented to the Springfield Conservation Nature Center. Last October, the Nature Center celebrated the 20th Anniversary of their opening. Since 1988, nearly 2.1 million visitors have toured the facility to learn about conservation and to discover nature through first-hand experiences.
- Community Partnership of the Ozarks Environmental Collaborative recognized Loring Bullard, Executive Director of the Watershed Committee of the Ozarks for a long and successful career. Mr. Bullard is known for his passion for clean water. He has worked with the Watershed Committee of the Ozarks since 1989.

2010

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Sue Dyle, Rebecca Zigler and Misty Mitchell for their dedication to the WOLF (Wonders of the Outdoors Learning Facility) school.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board recognized Greenway Recycling and Fiber Management for their support and assistance given to District "O" recycling centers which have made the availability of recycling services possible to the 23 cities in the 5-county area served by the Waste District -Christian, Dallas, Polk, Webster, Greene.
- The Ozarks Clean Air Alliance, a subcommittee of the Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks, recognized Springfield R-12 and Rogersville Schools, for their efforts in retrofitting school buses to reduce diesel emissions resulting in benefits to both the riders of the buses and overall air quality.
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Dan Chiles, Springfield Mayor Pro-tem, for his leadership, public service and private sector commitment to environmental protection.
- The City of Springfield's Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee recognized Abbe Ehlers, former Committee Chair, for her long-term advocacy and efforts to preserve and protect Springfield's urban forest.
- The Partnership for Sustainability presented their Environmental Excellence Award to BKD, LLP recognizing their commitment to environmental sustainability. BKD, LLP is also the first business to earn the "Green Level" or highest environmental rating of the Ozarks GreenScore program.
- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society recognized Charles Burwick as the recipient of their Conservation Environmental Excellence award.
- Community Partnership of the Ozarks Environmental Collaborative recognized Doug Neidigh, Drury University's Ozarks Center for Sustainable Solutions and Natasha Longpine, Ozarks Transportation Organization, for their leadership and fostering of collaboration to protect and enhance the air quality of the region.

2011

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized the City of Willard for their proactive approach to safeguarding drinking water sources for their citizens.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board recognized Brad Leonard, a Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) employee and a member of the Missouri National Guard.
- The Ozarks Clean Air Alliance, a subcommittee of the Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks, presented two awards. Ozarks Transportation Organization was selected for outstanding leadership in air pollution prevention by developing and implementing the web-based Ride Share program found at www.ozarkscommute.com. They also recognized Wil Fisher Distributors for outstanding leadership in air pollution prevention by creating on-site production of bio diesel, a new initiative for the distributing company.
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Mike Kromrey, Watershed Committee of the Ozarks, for his dedication to the health of our environment and his gracious public service and undying commitment to environmental protection.
- The City of Springfield's Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee recognized Bill Roach and Phil Broyles. Bill Roach, a Springfield/Greene County Parks Department employee came out of retirement to help with the aftermath of the 2007 ice storm and stayed on with the Public Works Department, working and volunteering on his own time to protect the urban forest in Springfield. Phil Broyles, Springfield Public Works Co-Interim Director was recognized for his continued support of Springfield's urban forest and of the Tree City USA Citizens Advisory Committee.
- The Partnership for Sustainability presented their Environmental Excellence Award to Wil Fischer companies recognizing their innovative and successful fleet of alternative fuel vehicles.
- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society recognized Dave Catlin as the recipient of their Environmental Excellence award. He has been an active member of the organization for over 10 years, providing leadership and fundraising talent, including the creation of an endowment for GOAS with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and several successful grant proposals.
- Ozark Greenways, Inc. recognized the Central High School Environmental Club for their entrepreneurial spirit and initiative exhibited by forming their club, volunteering, and taking the responsibility to learn about business and the environment.
- Community Partnership of the Ozarks Environmental Collaborative recognized Dave Coonrod for decades of dedication to the protection of the natural environment of the Ozarks. His service includes volunteer work, work as an elected official and as the first Executive Director of the then newly formed Watershed Committee of the Ozarks.
- Springfield Plateau Chapter Missouri Master Naturalist recognized Bob Kipfer for his efforts in a leadership role in several organizations dedicated to furthering conservation of the natural environment, including offering his picturesque private residence, abundant with flora and fauna as a meeting and educational location.

2012

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized the Environmental Section of Greene County's Resource Management Department for their exceptional staff of hard working professionals who administer the County's Stormwater, sinkhole, erosion and sediment control, floodplain and on-site wastewater system regulations.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board members recognized Mr. Loring Bullard for his exemplary work in water conservation and water quality; however, District O selected Mr. Bullard as their 2012 ESA recipient due to his dedication to recycling and recycling education, as so visibly demonstrated by the Community Room at the C.W. Titus Education Facility at the Watershed Center at Valley Water Mill Park.
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Melissa and Adam Millsap. The Millsaps started their Urban Roots Farm near downtown Springfield in 2010 on a one acre plot. They have grown this project and their mission of educating the community on sound urban gardening into a huge community affair.
- The Ozarks Clean Air Alliance, a subcommittee of the Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks, recognized Rick Hughlett, founder and owner of Rick's Automotive, for his support and voluntary

activities that have helped raise the awareness of the local connection between mobile sources (such as cars and trucks) and air quality, particularly ground-level ozone.

- The Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee recognized Bridget Dierks and Jerry Monterastelli. Bridget Dierks was recognized for her instrumental work in initiating the Tree Tag Project – whereby large plastic signs are tied to trees showing the tree’s dollar value in terms of temperature moderation, stormwater management and other factors.
- Jerry Monterastelli was recognized by the Tree City, USA, Citizens Advisory Committee for his courageous assistance with the Missouri Department of Conservation. Jerry came out of retirement to help Springfield/Greene County Parks in the immediate aftermath of the devastating 2007 ice storm assessing tree damage and coordination of cleanup work.
- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society recognized Greg Swick for being an active member of the Greater Ozarks Audubon Society for a number of years, and for his service in a variety of capacities – as a Board member, committee chair and volunteer. His pinnacle achievement, however, has been his leadership of the Green Leadership Academy for Diverse Ecosystems or “GLADE”.
- The Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks recognized Dr. Dave Fraley, Director of Environmental Affairs for City Utilities of Springfield and Barbara Lucks, Interim Sustainability Officer, City of Springfield.
- Barbara Lucks was recognized for her extensive career in working to protect our natural environment, particularly for her efforts in bringing people together and fostering communication and collaboration. Her creation and continuation of the Annual Awards Luncheon and service on the Environmental Collaborative was also recognized.
- Springfield Plateau Chapter Missouri Master Naturalist recognized Joe Kleiber, member of Master Naturalist since 2005. He is an active volunteer, regularly attends advanced training opportunities to increase his knowledge of the natural world.
- Ozarks Green Building Coalition recognized Zach Miller, REALTOR® with Murney & Associates and GSBOR Green Committee Chair, for his outstanding service to the community, to sustainability and to the real estate buying and selling population of the Ozarks.
- Missouri State University Sustainability Advisory Committee recognized The Missouri State University Student Government Association for exhibiting a sustained commitment to environmental excellence, programming that makes an impact on environmental excellence and outcomes that indicate that their efforts are making a difference.

2013

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Rick Scarlet and Gloria Johnson for their 2013 Choose Environmental Excellence award. Rick and Gloria have taken their nearly 100-year-old bungalow in the Rountree Neighborhood and made it much more water and energy efficient, and they have also added significant renewable energy generation capabilities.
- Solid Waste Management District “O” Executive Board recognized two individuals with their Environmental Service Award (ESA). David Doherty is the General Manager of Web-Co Custom Industries, Inc., a sheltered workshop for disabled employees. Web-Co's mission is to improve the landscape by promoting recycling in their area, "to reinvent" recycled items into something useful and sustainable for our environment, and to provide continued employment opportunities for the disabled citizens of Webster County.
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Springfield Public Schools for their district-wide sustainability initiatives.
- The Ozarks Clean Air Alliance, a subcommittee of the Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks, recognized Tiffany Drake, P.E., the former Chief of the State Implementation Plan Unit in the Air Quality Planning Section of Missouri Department of Natural Resources. In that capacity, Ms. Drake was

instrumental in providing public outreach and education on air issues facing Greene County and Southwest Missouri.

- The Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee gave two awards at this year's event. The first award went to Missouri State University for demonstrating their commitment to sustainability by appointing a Sustainability Advisory Committee comprised of key personnel from all functional areas of the University plus community representation, also including students who will carry the banner for sustainability far into the future.
- The second award went to Dr. Janice Greene, faculty member in the Department of Biology at Missouri State University, recognizing a career of diverse sustainability, environmental, and conservation education accomplishments.
- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society (GOAS) recognized Myra Scroggs long time member and volunteer for their Choose Environmental Excellence Award.
- The Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks recognized Ann Wallenmeyer with their award. From the moment Ann became Science Facilitator for Springfield Public Schools, she made a positive difference in our community.
- Ozark Greenways, Inc. recognized Martin MacDonald, a long time supporter and friend of trails and the greenway movement in Springfield. While Martin MacDonald has supported Ozark Greenways activities thru his association with Bass Pro, he was recognized and thanked for his individual and personal interest in Greenways projects, activities, and the Ozark Greenway mission of *"Preserving and protecting the Ozarks' natural heritage"*.
- Springfield Plateau Chapter Missouri Master Naturalist recognized Bob Korpella as their award Honoree. Bob has developed a Master Naturalist Aquatic Trunk and has taught several programs on mammals, insects, and aquatic life. Bob also serves on a Stream Team.
- Ozarks Green Building Coalition recognized Dave Lowry as their 2013 recipient. Mr. Lowry had a dream for many years of a way to get at-risk students involved in a local neighborhood improvement project. With the collaboration of Ozarks Technical Community College, the Division of Youth Services, the City of Springfield, plus civic, community and business leaders, this dream is coming true.
- Missouri State University Sustainability Advisory Committee recognized Missouri State University's Residence Life, Housing and Dining Services, a unit in the Division of Student Affairs, for their leadership in the area of sustainability for a number of years.
- The Partnership for Sustainability recognized Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) for their proactive efforts in sustainability management. DFA has demonstrated leadership through aggressive, yet sensible, improvements to their operations and policies resulting in significant reductions in their energy and water consumption and the elimination of tons of waste from the landfill.
- James River Basin Partnership chose Douglas Hurrelbrink to receive their Water Warrior Award" because of his dedication to clean water and the environment.

2014

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Commercial Metals Company Recycling (CMC), an industry leader whose success has been built by committing to the highest ethical, legal, environmental, safety and customer service standards.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board members recognized efforts toward waste reduction and recycling with their Environmental Service Awards. District "O" covers the counties of Christian, Polk, Dallas, Greene and Webster. Tim Smith, Board Chair, presented the award.

- Robert Meredith, Big Dog Recycling, was recognized for their role in filling a much needed role of a full-service recycling processor in the northern portion of the District "O" service region.
- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized David Hutchison, City of Springfield Traffic Engineer, for non-stop efforts to engage the public in working to make the City safer for all modes of transportation. He has been creating the City's Person Mobility Plan, the goal of which is to make Springfield transportation choices more affordable and obtainable.
- The Ozarks Clean Air Alliance, a subcommittee of the Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks (OCAA), recognized KOLR-10 for their on-going support of the Alliance's work to proactively raise awareness of air quality protection efforts within our region.
- The Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the US Environmental Protection Agency were recognized for their support of local efforts to improve and protect air quality via the funding and other assistance obtained through the National Clean Diesel Program.
- The Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee recognized Cindy Garner, an Urban Forester who has been with the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) for 13 years of service to the Springfield County Forest and Becky Volz was recognized for her work on the Woodland Heights NeighborWoods project.
- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society (GOAS) recognized Dan and Ann Liles for their long-standing efforts. They have been strong members and dependable volunteers in the Greater Ozarks Audubon Society.
- The Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks recognized Melvin Johnson, recently retired from Springfield/Greene County Parks, for being instrumental in the establishment of the Parks Outdoor Initiatives program, showcasing the Park System's remarkable variety of outdoor educational experiences – everything from campfire cooking, to caving, canoeing – and he was also critical to the preservation of the 22 caves that are found on Springfield/Greene County Parks property.
- Ozark Greenways, Inc. recognized Tom Netzer for over 20 years of service to Ozark Greenways including serving as vice president, president, as well as assuming a leadership role on the 2001 capital campaign committee which successfully raised 1.5-million dollars to develop some of the first greenways and trails for our community.
- Springfield Plateau Chapter Missouri Master Naturalist recognized Carl Haworth, a past president of the chapter, and best known as the bison expert for his service.
- Missouri State University Sustainability Advisory Committee recognized Missouri State University's Facilities Management, a unit of the Division of Administrative and Information Services, for the leadership role they have taken in the area of sustainability for a number of years.
- Partnership for Sustainability recognized Stainless Technology, located in the Partnership Industrial Center (4420 E. Mustard Way), for accomplishments relating to energy conservation.
- James River Basin Partnership recognized Larry O'Reilly for his dedication to clean water and to the protection of the natural environment.

2015

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks recognized Fred Palmerton for a lifetime of service and involvement with major projects and decisions related to Springfield's water supply.
- Solid Waste Management District "O" Executive Board members recognized Mike Frazier, General Manager, of WebCo Custom Industries in Marshfield. In his first year and a half at WebCo, Mike has completely revamped the Recycling Center's method of operation. Under his guidance, it has changed dramatically and grown rapidly.

Ronda Long was recognized with their second award for her years of dedicated service as the District's Associate Planner from 2003 to 2015.

- The Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board recognized Dr. David M. Fraley, Director of Environmental Affairs for City Utilities of Springfield, until his recent retirement after 34 years of faithful service.

Also, Randy Lyman, Environmental Compliance Officer for the City of Springfield, Department of Environmental Services, was recognized for his 40+ years of service.

- The Ozarks Clean Air Alliance, a subcommittee of the Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks, recognized Dr. David M. Fraley, Director of Environmental Affairs for City Utilities of Springfield. Dave has also served as the Environmental Committee chair for the American Public Power Association (APPA) National Conference and was a founding member of Ozarks Clean Air Alliance, and an original member of the Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks.
- The Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee recognized Blayne Radford, Grounds Management Supervisor for Springfield Public Schools for his commitment to protecting and enhancing the tree canopy and using environmentally responsible practices in the management of facilities under his responsibility.

Also, Joe Fearn, Head Groundskeeper at Drury University, was recognized for the management and oversight of the maintenance and enhancement of the landscaping and landscape ecology of the Drury University campus. Recently, Drury was recognized as an Arbor Day Foundation Tree Campus for the first time and earned the 2013 Missouri Releaf Exceptional Planting Award.

- The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society (GOAS) recognized Lisa Berger for her 30+ years of conservation work with Greater Ozarks Audubon Society.
- The Environmental Collaborative of the Community Partnership of the Ozarks recognized Randy Lyman, Environmental Compliance Officer for the City's Department of Environmental Services. Mr. Lyman joined the City of Springfield in November of 1971. His ability to provide technical assistance and guidance to the businesses and industries that empty into the sewage system that ultimately ends up at the City's wastewater treatment plants plays an important role in maintaining the consistently high performance that earns annual awards for the plants.
- Springfield Plateau Chapter Missouri Master Naturalist recognized Marlyss Simmons for her service to the Chapter and commitment to conservation education.
- Missouri State University Sustainability Advisory Committee recognized The William H. Darr School of Agriculture for their stewardship of timberland, grasslands, and water resources while being compatible with wildlife and agricultural enterprises - representing a plan that meets multiple goals and demands that are being experienced routinely by most landowners.
- The James River Basin Partnership recognized Kyle Bentley for his volunteer service with River Rescue since 2003 as a part of the Stream Team Program with a group of young men from Wilson Creek Group Home facilitated by the Missouri Division of Youth Services (DYS).

City of Springfield Department of Environmental Services – Solid Waste Management

- Ripple Glass of Kansas City, Missouri, was recognized for their role in enabling Springfield to become a regional hub for glass recycling.
- Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) was recognized for their long-time commitment to environmental stewardship and to our community, specifically their waste reduction and recycling efforts.

City of Springfield Department of Environmental Services – Air Quality

- 3M of Springfield was recognized for their many decades of exemplary efforts in Environmental Stewardship.

City of Springfield Department of Environmental Services – Water Quality

- Gillespie Excavating Company, LLC was recognized as a model of how construction can be performed in an environmentally responsible manner.

City of Springfield Department of Environmental Services - Clean Water Services

- Kraft Foods was recognized for their long-time efforts and accomplishments toward conserving water and protecting the water quality of our region by using innovative technology and pre-treatment processes.

City of Springfield Department of Environmental Services - Community Engagement

- Fred Palmerton and Dan Hoy were recognized as co-chairs of the Springfield/Greene County Stormwater Task Force, and later co-chairs of The Citizens' Environmental Priorities Task Force. They were recognized for their hours of service, their dedication, and their leadership.
- Springfield Urban Agriculture Coalition presented their Golden Shovel Award to Ben Utne, the Dig In R-Twelve (DIRT) Project Coordinator. Ben's two-year commitment as an AmeriCorps VISTA was an incredible contribution to SUAC, to our community and to the eight school gardens established within the Springfield Public School System.