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## RecyclingWorks Newsletter, December 2016

### WasteWise Fall Forum Recap

The [WasteWise Fall Forum](#) was held on December 1 at Raytheon in Tewksbury. Approximately 30 people attended, representing businesses from various sectors, the US EPA, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), universities, and haulers and processors of recyclable materials.

At the event, EPA presented [Food Recovery Challenge Regional Achievement Certificates](#) to 2016 awardees from Massachusetts.



### Upcoming Events

**December 6**

[MassDEP C&D Subcommittee Meeting](#)  
Boston

**December 8**

CURC Webinar: [Using Contracts to Advance Waste Reduction Efforts](#)

**December 12-13**

[Waste Valorization Conference](#)  
Lowell

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*Jason Stone accepts an FRC award for Gillette Stadium.*

*Photos by Diane Horan*

The agenda included discussion of RecyclingWorks' two current Best Management Practices processes: [Construction and Demolition Materials](#) and [Hauler Contracting](#). The hauler contracting discussion included a presentation by Raytheon and E.L. Harvey and Sons about their partnership to achieve [Zero Waste Business Certification](#) from the USZWBC.

#### **MassDEP RBDG Grant Awardees**

In November, MassDEP [awarded \\$500,000 in grants](#) through the Recycling Business Development Grant (RBDG) program. RBDG grants support the development of infrastructure for difficult-to-recycle materials. In this round of RBDG grants, CRMC Bioenergy, E.L. Harvey and Sons, and Troiano Trucking, received funding to help recover food material in packaged food. Another round of RBDG grants is expected to be announced in spring 2017.

**RecyclingWorks Website: Newsletter Archive**

A [newsletter archive](#) of the RecyclingWorks monthly newsletter has been added to the RecyclingWorks website.

### Featured Articles

- [Hannaford Supermarkets](#), a participant in Manomet's Grocery Stewardship program, saved \$23 million in 2015 through sustainable operations, including diverting surplus and wasted food from disposal.
- Thirty Boston restaurants are piloting [Food for All](#), an app that helps reduce wasted food by allowing customers to purchase discount goods.
- EPA released a [webpage about anaerobic digestion](#) (AD) that provides information on AD types, project profiles, publications, and other resources.

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