

RecyclingWorks December Newsletter

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### Featured Events: WasteWise and Food Sustainability Symposium Recap

On November 1, the Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel hosted RecyclingWorks in Massachusetts, Mass. Department of Environmental Protection, and US Environmental Protection Agency for the WasteWise Fall Forum. Attendees learned successful strategies for donating surplus prepared food and participated in a discussion on best management practices for source reduction of wasted food. Presentations from the forum are available [here](#).

On November 9, RecyclingWorks, Associated Industries of Massachusetts, and the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts co-hosted a Food Sustainability Symposium in Easthampton, MA. Symposium attendees learned about many options for diverting food scraps and surplus food from disposal. The Daily Hampshire Gazette



### Upcoming Events

#### December 06

Waste360 Webinar:  
[Food Waste & Organics Program Development, Collection and BMP's for Generators, Haulers and Processors](#)

#### December 06

CURC Webinar:  
[Food Waste Collections Across Campus](#)

#### December 07

MassDEP [Organics](#)

recently featured the Food Sustainability Symposium in Easthampton in the article, [Wasted food: better business using cows, plates and a digester](#).

Thank you to all of the amazing presenters and co-hosts who worked hard to make these events successful!

### **RecyclingWorks Spotlight: Greenbuild International Conference & Expo in Boston**

A recent *WasteDive* article exemplifies how diligent planning, frequent communication, and boots on the ground support can lead to high diversion rates for large-scale events such as the [Greenbuild International Conference and Expo in Boston](#). More than 300 volunteers monitored bin clusters, source separated materials, and inspected items for contamination. RecyclingWorks supported the U.S. Green Building Council's Green Committee (USGBC) efforts by sharing our expertise as the USGBC developed training and conference materials.

### **MassDEP Organics Subcommittee Meeting**

The MassDEP Organics Subcommittee is a working group of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. MassDEP is hosting the next [Organics Subcommittee Meeting](#) on Thursday, December 7. Among other topics, the agenda for this meeting includes:

[Subcommittee Meeting](#),  
Boston

#### **December 12**

Green Your Bottom Line  
Webinar: [Improve Sustainability and Reduce Operating Costs in Your Food or Beverage Business](#)

#### **December 14**

EPA Sustainable Materials  
Management (SMM) Web  
Academy Webinar:  
[Technology Innovation - Reducing Food Going to Waste](#)

#### **March 26**

MASSRECYCLE 2018  
[R3 Recycling & Organics Conference and Trade Show](#),  
Framingham

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- **Review & Discussion of Draft Food Waste Reduction Best Management Practices (BMPs)** – Learn more and contribute to these best management practices, developed by RecyclingWorks through interviews and discussions with stakeholders from hospitals, corporate cafeterias, and other foodservice operations.
- **ReFED Boston Food Waste Funders Initiative** – Find out about potential funding opportunities for growing Massachusetts' food waste reduction infrastructure.
- **RecyclingWorks FY'17 Year-in Review** – Learn about RecyclingWorks efforts and achievements working with Massachusetts businesses and institutions over the last year.

#### Featured Articles

- EPA News Release about [New England Organizations Honored for Reducing Food Waste Sent to Landfills](#)
- WasteDive article about [Boston's zero waste planning process](#)
- NACS and Keep America Beautiful [resource to help convenience stores](#) manage trash and encourage recycling



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