

# MassDEP Updates

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# Reduce, Reuse, Repair Micro-Grants

- Up to \$5,000 for short-term (1 year) projects
- Rolling application - first-come, first-serve awards
- Promote source reduction, reuse, or repair in Massachusetts
- An organization or business (for-profit or non-profit) that is properly licensed to operate in Massachusetts is eligible
- Grant Guidelines and online application at: <https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-a-massdep-reduce-reuse-repair-micro-grant>
- Questions? Contact: Erin Victor - 617-292-5624 or [erin.victor@mass.gov](mailto:erin.victor@mass.gov)

# Sustainable Materials Recovery Program

- Application now open to municipalities, regional groups, and non profits
- Applications due June 12
- Final grant information session May 2 at Braintree Town Hall

# Recycle Smart Partners

- MassDEP has hit our goal of 200 Recycle Smart Partners
- Includes haulers, MRFs, businesses, non-profits and municipalities
- See <https://recyclesmartma.org/become-a-partner/>

# Solid Waste Master Plan

- MassDEP developing new Plan for 2020-2030
- Draft Plan for public comment – Fall 2019
- Final Plan published by end of 2020

# Source Reduction Strategies

- Explore/leverage initiatives to reduce packaging waste
- Promote “sharing economy” strategies
- Implement residential source reduction linked to PAYT
- Foster “right to repair” information sharing
- Develop commercial food waste source reduction initiative
- Leverage procurement to reduce commercial & institutional waste
- Renew emphasis on resource management contracting
- Bans on single use plastic bags and food service packaging

# For More Information

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