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PRESS RELEASE

NRRRA School CLUB's "Innovative Recycling Idea of the Year" Award

EPSOM, NH - The School CLUB of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA) is pleased to recognize High School Seniors Caroline Anastasia and Grace Cushing of Winnacunnet High School in Hampton, NH with the "2014-2015 Innovative Recycling Idea of the Year" Award.

After attending an Advanced Placement program in sustainability at St. Paul's School in Concord, Seniors Caroline Anastasia and Grace Cushing decided to relate their training to their Senior Project. After a lot of research, they designed a composting plan using the school cafeteria food waste. By collaborating with teachers and staff, and obtaining permission, they wrote a grant and received funding from school supporters. They lined up a vendor and rallied the student body to support the program. In a few short months, their program was up and running. They were recognized for their inspiration and motivation by taking this project from start to finish in such a way that it can be sustained going forward.

This award was presented at the NRRRA School CLUB's 6th Annual School Recycling Conference and Expo on June 9th at the Radisson Hotel in Manchester, NH. The Conference & Expo was a great opportunity for students, teachers and administrators to network and learn more about school recycling, to expand and increase the efficiency of their programs, to add recycling education to their curricula, exchange ideas, share philosophies, and further promote waste reduction efforts.

Special thanks to NH the Beautiful for sponsoring the School Recycling Conference and for their continued support of school recycling in New Hampshire.

The School Recycling Club (The CLUB) is a program for all schools in New England and is supported by NRRRA and NH the Beautiful. For students and teachers in grades K-12, the CLUB serves as a centralized organization to become more active in the world of recycling. The CLUB is a fun and innovative way to give kids encouragement, direction and networking possibilities for school recycling programs. For more information visit www.schoolrecycling.net.

The Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA) is a proactive, non-profit organization that has worked for over 30 years with its membership to make their recycling programs strong, efficient and financially successful. For more information visit www.nrra.net.

New Hampshire the Beautiful, Inc. (NHtB) has been a longtime supporter of the NRRRA School CLUB and environmental education in NH. NHtB is a private non-profit charitable trust founded in 1983 and supported by the soft drink, malt beverage, and grocery industries of New Hampshire. NHtB offers municipal recycling grants, recycling education grants (over \$2.5 million), recycling signs, anti-litter programs, and technical assistance. NHtB is a unique organization that represents a voluntarily-funded alternative to expensive legislation intended to achieve the same end results. <http://www.nhthebeautiful.org/>



NRRA School CLUB's Most Innovative Recycling Idea – Seniors Caroline Anastasia and Grace Cushing of Winnacunnet High School. Pictured from left, Caroline Anastasia, Ray Dube of NH the Beautiful, Grace Cushing and Mark Richardson, NRRA Trustee & Hampton Transfer Station Manager.

2015 School Conference Supporters: NH the Beautiful and Orbis.

2015 Conference Partners: Earth Share New England, National Recycling Coalition, Inc., NH the Beautiful, Northern New England SWANA, and MassRecycle