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Dear Municipal Official:

On behalf of the Patrick Administration, it is my pleasure to announce the availability of the 2013 Sustainable Materials Recovery Program (SMRP) Municipal Grant application. This municipal grant program offers assistance to Massachusetts' cities, towns and regional government entities for recycling, composting, reuse and waste reduction activities that will increase diversion of municipal solid waste and household hazardous waste from landfills and incinerators.

Grants are available for Pay-As-You-Throw program start-up, curbside recycling carts, roll-offs and compactors, waste reduction enforcement coordinators, school recycling programs, local and regional waste reduction projects, small scale initiatives and organics capacity projects. Last year, we awarded \$2.07 million to 118 communities and regional entities through this grant program. We anticipate a similar funding level for the 2013 grant cycle.

To assist your community in applying for a SMRP grant, MassDEP is holding six information sessions across the state during late April and early May. Dates and locations for these sessions, along with detailed information on the application process, eligibility criteria, and funding categories, may be found at: <http://www.mass.gov/dep/recycle/recawgr.htm> prior to April 30, 2013 and at: <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/recycle/grants/smrp-grants.html> as of April 30, 2013.

Please note that the deadline for submitting the SMRP Municipal Grant Application is **June 12, 2013**. Applications must be submitted online, via ReTRAC Connect, a web-based reporting system that MassDEP utilizes for municipal solid waste programs. You may access this reporting system via the website above.

Thank you for your commitment to building effective and sustainable waste reduction and recycling programs. Should you have questions about the grant program, please call Tina Klein at 617-292-5704.

Sincerely,

Kenneth L. Kimmell  
Commissioner

