



Community Recycling Ambassador Volunteering

CRA Volunteer Commitment Guidelines



Complete **30** hours within ~1 year from graduation



Must be completed within Hennepin County



Implement or support a program that diverts materials from the waste stream, AND/OR



Provide waste reduction, recycling and/or organics recycling education/outreach

What doesn't count towards your 30 hours:

Paid work

Sharing general info on
personal socials/in conversation

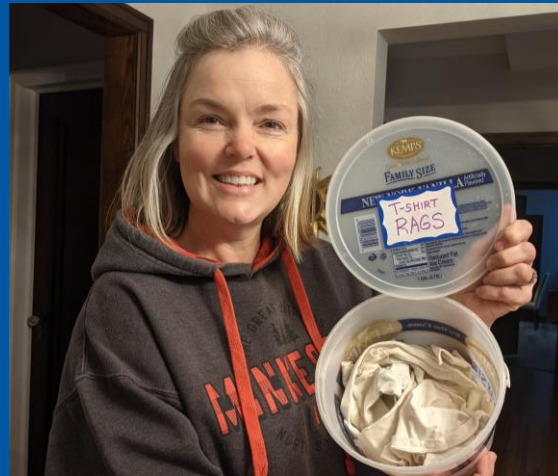
Litter pick ups

Anything outside the county

CRA Volunteering Examples

- Events: providing education, low-waste event planning
- Individual projects
- Multifamily/schools/business recycling assistance
- Go virtual – moderate groups, make educational videos or other content
- Support Hennepin programs (Fix-It, ZWC, Swaps)
- Support your city programs
- Food recovery
- Be creative and proactive – reach out to neighborhood and community groups





Organizations to check out

- Second Harvest Heartland, The Food Group, & TC Food Justice
- State Fair Eco Expo (allowed)
- MN Tool Library & MPLS Toy Library
- Mill City Farmers Market
- U of M Reuse Center, ReuseMN
- Fix-it Clinics
- Salvage businesses, thrift stores
- Your city/neighborhood group/school/faith group/co-op



Internal CRA Webpage

- [hennepin.us/current-recycling-ambassadors](https://www.hennepin.us/current-recycling-ambassadors)



Information for current Community Recycling Ambassadors

Find information for current Community Recycling Ambassador volunteers (formerly known as Master Recycler/Composters), including volunteer opportunities and course files and presentations.

Thank you for your continued efforts to help Hennepin County reduce waste and recycle more!

[Subscribe to our Community Recycling Ambassador newsletter](#) to receive periodic updates and announcements.

Fill out the [Community Recycling Ambassador volunteer hours reporting form](#) to report your hours spent volunteering.

Join the [Facebook group](#).

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[Open all](#)

+ Course manual and presentations

+ Report your hours

+ Volunteer opportunities

+ Resources for Community Recycling Ambassadors

CRA Facebook Group



The cover image features a woman with long dark hair, wearing a blue and white plaid shirt, standing with her arms crossed next to a row of green recycling bins. The background shows an outdoor setting with a building and trees. The text 'Community Recycling Ambassadors' is overlaid in white on a blue background.

Community Recycling Ambassadors

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Hennepin County Community Recycling Ambassadors

A horizontal row of 15 circular avatars representing group members.

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Reporting your volunteer hours

HENNEPIN COUNTY
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**Community Recycling Ambassadors
volunteer hours reporting form**

Start date of the event or project*

Month

Day

Year

End date of event or project

Month

Day

Year

Name of event or project

Description of event or project

Limit is 1000 characters

In total, including preparation and travel time, how many hours did you spend on your volunteer activity?*

Estimate the number of people you directly contacted at the event or who were impacted by the project

Estimate the total number of people who attended the event (if applicable)

Topic of the activity

(examples include residential recycling, reducing plastic waste, reducing e-waste, composting, etc)

Type of activity

(examples may include a booth at an event, presentation, event planning, article writing, resource development, etc)

Education kits or other display/demonstration kits you used

Do you have any comments about the volunteer project or event?



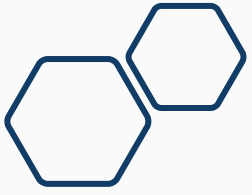
Other Resources

- Newsletter/emails
- Sign up for the Green Notes Newsletter
- Follow Hennepin County Environment on FB, Twitter, Instagram
- Contact the CRA Liaison
- Each other!
- Environmental Education order form
- Environmental education kits
- Post-class email



Questions?





Graduation!



What is the one most impactful or interesting thing you have learned throughout the CRA course?



Thank you!

(Class photo!)

