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## NYSAR<sup>3</sup> Accepting Applications for College Grant Program

(ALBANY, NY)—The New York State Association for Reduction, Reuse and Recycling (NYSAR<sup>3</sup>) has announced that the grant program for members of the organization's College Council will continue during the spring semester, with grant applications and project proposals now being accepted. A limited number of grants of up to \$1,000 will be awarded to support innovative projects aimed at "initiating, improving, or expanding source reduction, reuse, or recycling programs on campus."

The grant program is competitive, with recipients determined by a judging committee comprised of NYSAR<sup>3</sup> members. Deadline for submitting applications will be Feb. 27, 2015, and the grant recipients will be announced by March 16.

Previous grant recipients included the University at Albany for an office composting project; SUNY Cobleskill, vermicomposting project; Colgate University, athletic event recycling; Morrisville State College, event recycling; and Orange Community College, TerraCycle program expansion. A panel of representatives from those institutions presented at NYSAR<sup>3</sup>'s annual fall recycling conference, held recently in Cooperstown.

A detailed package of proposal guidelines and criteria is being sent to all College Council members. Proposals should be for projects that generate interest and awareness and encourage student, faculty, and staff participation. Projects should also be transferable and adaptable by other colleges and universities and should include an education component. Grant recipients must also agree to provide quantifiable documentation on the impact the grant had on the targeted program.

The College Council is one of four special NYSAR<sup>3</sup> programs, along with the Organics Council, the Buy Recycled Council, and the GoGreen Initiative for K-12 schools in New York State. The College Council was created to provide a forum through which college students, environmental staff, and faculty can share information about common environmental problems and best practices. The College Council also provides college and university representatives with access to the expertise of the scores of environmental professionals who make up the regular membership of NYSAR<sup>3</sup>.

For more information about the College Council or to receive a membership application, contact state coordinator John Halenar ([johnhalenar@yahoo.com](mailto:johnhalenar@yahoo.com); 551-486-0315). For information about NYSAR<sup>3</sup> and its other programs and activities, contact the organization at [nysar3@gmail.com](mailto:nysar3@gmail.com) or visit the organization's website at [www.nysar3.org](http://www.nysar3.org).