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Get to Know the Iowa Waste Reduction Interns

Pictured Left to Right: Niko Muniz, Abby Palmer, Corey Behrens, and Grant Helle

Meet Niko Muniz

Niko is a University of Northern Iowa senior and IWRC's Marketing Intern. He is currently working on creating articles that focus on food waste strategies and helping spruce up the IWRC LinkedIn pages. During his free time, Niko likes to take his dog on walks or to the dog park and play volleyball.



Meet Abby Palmer

Abby is a University of Northern Iowa junior and IWRC's General Office/Marketing Intern. As an intern, she spends her time creating content for various social media platforms, writing articles for the IWRC website, and managing the IWRC's monthly newsletter. Some things Abby likes to do in her free time are watch movies and hang out with her roommates.

Meet Corey Behrens

Corey is a University of Northern Iowa senior and IWRC's Media Intern. In his role, he manages and creates promotional content that showcases the IWRC's Iowa Green Brewery Certification Program. Corey enjoys filming weddings during the weekends and skateboarding whenever he has free time.

Meet Grant Helle

Grant is a University of Northern Iowa senior and IWRC's Brewery Sustainability and Efficiency Intern. He currently helps with conducting brewery audits, creating recommendations reports, and developing marketing strategies to promote green-certified breweries. Grant enjoys spending his free time biking the trails throughout the Cedar Valley and exploring new breweries.

Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals and Amendment to the Nicotine Listing - Final Rule

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently finalized its standards for managing hazardous waste (HW) pharmaceuticals. The final rule will become fully effective in Iowa on Aug. 21, 2019. For more information, click [here](#).

Recent Leadership Changes

As of July 1, Joe Bolick became the Iowa Waste Reduction Center's Interim Director. Bolick has been with the IWRC for 15 years now, recently overseeing the company's marketing strategies and managing the Iowa Green Brewery Certification Program. As Interim Director, Bolick will continue to work closely with regulatory agencies and other organizations to build relationships, oversee IWRC's programs and services, and continually seek funding opportunities for continued and new programs.

Green Brewery Update

The IWRC's Iowa Green Brewery Certification Program has been busy adding breweries to its Iowa map. Check out the updated map below to see if any green-certified breweries are local to you!



Also, be sure to check out the [IGBC webpage](#) every first Monday of each month to see what lucky brewery will be featured. This month, the Green Brewery Feature is Exile Brewing Co.

Consortium Coming Soon

In related news, the IWRC is going to be launching a national consortium later this summer for other similar environmental organizations that work with breweries to collaborate and share best practices. For any further information regarding the consortium, keep an eye out for the official Facebook page, "The Sustainable Brewing Society", coming August 1. The consortium will also be sending out its first newsletter sometime mid-August, so if you are interested in signing up and receiving its monthly emails, click [here](#).



[Iowa Recycling & Solid Waste Management Conference](#)
September 30 | Dubuque

[Growing Sustainable Communities Conference](#)
October 24-25 | Dubuque

INDUSTRY NEWS

| Landfill |

[EPA plans to approve landfill emissions plans from multiple states](#) (Waste Dive)

| Sustainability |

[Terracycle's Loop expands to 5 new states](#) (Waste Dive)

| Plastic Waste |

[A Trash Can in the Water? Solutions in the Fight Against Ocean Plastics](#) (Waste 360)

| Air Quality |

[Air Quality permits under review](#) (Iowa DNR)

| Brewery Sustainability |

[MillerCoors Joins The Recycling Partnership](#) (Waste 360)

| Food Waste |

[New Toolkit Aims to Keep Food Waste Out of Landfills](#) (Waste 360)



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