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**Mission:** To enhance business and organizational efficiency through quality and innovative environmental programming across Iowa and throughout the country.

## Announcements

### Welcome Back Students!



Our office is busy once again with the return of students to campus. We are excited to welcome back two of our outstanding interns, [Megan Rausch](#) and [Jordon Burrows](#). We are happy to have you back!

IWRC interns assist all areas of programming and enable staff to provide high quality programming for those we serve.

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## ***DON'T MISS OUT: Community Training Workshops are winding down***



**Community Training Workshops** designed to address composting, recycling and emerging contaminants have been happening across the Midwest since July and only three trainings remain.

Each workshop is held in a different rural, Midwestern community and the training is customized for each location.

**“A greater quality of life can be reached within a community by increasing awareness and strategies to address food waste, recycling materials, and per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances,” says IWRC Program Manager Jennifer Trent.**

If you live in, or nearby, one of the workshop locations, roll up your sleeves and come participate in this FREE training.

- Wednesday, September 7 - Shelbyville, IL
- Wednesday, September 19 - Tama, IA
- Wednesday, September 21 - Cherokee, IA

To see photos from each event, follow us on **Facebook!**

**Register Today!**

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## IWRC Contributes to UNI Campus-wide Initiative



On August 8, the [Iowa Waste Reduction Center](#)'s (IWRC) painter training program turned in their traditional purple and gray colors for green to assist the [University of Northern Iowa](#) (UNI) and [Northern Iowa Student Government](#) (NISG)'s new [Green Dot Program](#).

[Read](#) about how the IWRC is using their expertise to contribute to this campus-wide initiative.

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### FREE ENERGY ASSESSMENTS

PROVIDED BY **IWRC** Iowa Waste Reduction Center

Reviews will evaluate a small business's energy consumption and costs, identify resources to determine appropriate techniques the business can implement to reduce energy consumption and improve the business's bottom line.

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## Industry News

### | Recycling |

[3 reasons to believe in the future of plastic recycling](#)  
(WASTEDIVE)

### | Food Waste |

[7 Things That Make Compost Awesome](#)  
(OneGreenPlanet)

| **Sustainability** |

[Central Iowa water utilities join multistate 'forever chemicals' lawsuit](#)

(Iowa Capital Dispatch)

| **Waste Reduction** |

[How can composting become a viable waste management solution?](#)

(GreenBiz)

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