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# News Release

## 29 Sustainability Initiatives Recognized by RCE Saskatchewan

May 19, 2019

For the 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, sustainability initiatives were recognized by RCE Saskatchewan, a voluntary network of local sustainable development leaders, educators, researchers and UN agencies united under the UN Global Sustainable Development Goals. RCE Saskatchewan is one of 160+ RCEs recognized by the United Nations University since 2005.

On Wednesday, May 8 at the Hannin Creek Education and Applied Research Centre in Candle Lake, Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan Polytechnic hosted the awards recognizing the achievements of individuals, organizations and groups that are making our province more sustainable. The projects educate, encourage and engage others in local action that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Initiative	Organization(s)
A Blanket of Warmth For Our Nation's Homes	Industrial Systems Engineering Capstone Students from the University of Regina
Conceptual Hotel Based Greywater Reclamation System	Dr. Stephanie Young, Rebekah Vasylyeva, Shara Khan and Farhima Rahman, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, U of R
Faculty of Science and Calling Lakes Ecomuseum at Treaty 4 Gathering 2018	The Faculty of Science, University of Regina Calling Lakes Ecomuseum Institute of Environmental Change & Society Treaty 4 Gathering
GIS-Based Cemetery Records Management	Saskatchewan Polytechnic Prince Albert Campus Ryan Galbraith, MSc, GISP
Green Pursuit - Home Energy Saving Game	Saskatchewan Environmental Society READ Saskatoon
Hannin Creek Education and Applied Research Centre	Saskatchewan Polytechnic Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation
Have a Plan to Recycle	Civic Museum of Regina Winston Knoll Collegiate Music Program
Leading Sustainability Education Practice (LSEP)	Samantha Gunn- Educational Consultant for The Brightwater Science, Environmental, and Indigenous Learning Center, and Education for Sustainable Development
Library of Things YXE	Meg Dorwart
Man of the Trees. Richard St. Barbe Baker, the First Global Conservationist (Book)	Paul Hanley

Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Studies Network (NVSSN)	Luther College at the University of Regina
North Saskatchewan River Lake Sturgeon Community Engagement Program	Saskatchewan Polytechnic in association with Husky Energy/NSERC
Plant Health Care Model and Miller's Garden Project	Heather Faris and Miller High School Students, Regina
Reclamation of Amine-Rich Wastewater from Carbon Capture and Storage Systems	Dr. Stephanie Young, Joeffrey Domingo and Matthew Palmarin, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, U of R
Reclamation of Greywater from Recreation Centers for Sustainable Water Consumption	Dr. Stephanie Young, Jayson Domingo, Patrick Huynh and Thomas Ricafort, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, U of R
Regina Huda School 5A Recycling	Regina Huda School **
Saskatchewan Polytechnic Eco-Car	Saskatchewan Polytechnic
Saskatchewan Youth Visual Art Project-Celebration of Art, Faith and Spirituality	Multi-Faith Saskatchewan Inc.
Online Energy Efficiency Assessment Tool for Business	SaskPower
Retail Discount Program In-Store Education	SaskPower
Songwriting for Nature	Royal Saskatchewan Museum
Stantec Regina's Office Organic Waste Diversion Program	Nathan Bruce / Stantec Organic Waste Team
Stewards for the Land	Prince Albert Model Forest Association Inc.
The Northeast Swale Educational Program - Stewardship and Biodiversity Monitoring	Meewasin Valley Authority
<i>The Right Colour Blue</i> children's book	The Three Birds – Jonathan Yee, Kevin Chow and Jamie Mason
University of Saskatchewan EcoHack	Undergraduate Environmental Programs Office, University of Saskatchewan
University of Saskatchewan John Mitchell Building Solar Array	Get Lit with US: Solar Panels on Campus (USask)
UR Reusable Mug Campaign	UR Sustainability
Utilizing Landfill Waste Heat as a Heat Source for a City of Regina Facility	Kelvin Ng, Nicole Cripps, Brady Eurich and Brett Thomas, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, U of R
White Butte Ecomuseum Ecology Heritage Project	Town of White City

\*\*This year the **Lyle Benko Future Generations Award** was granted to Regina Huda School for its 5A Recycling program. This special award is delivered to a project led by a K-12 teacher/educator/student for their outstanding contributions to Education for Sustainable Development in Saskatchewan. The award was created and named in memory of RCE Saskatchewan's co-coordinator and founding member, Lyle Benko.

The event also featured keynote presentation by Dr. Charles Hopkins, UNESCO Chair at York University on Re-orienting Education for Sustainable Development. He encouraged local sustainability leaders to see the importance of their efforts.

Videos of the ceremony and keynote presentation are available at [www.saskrce.ca](http://www.saskrce.ca). Photos are available on our twitter account @saskrce. Questions? **Contact co-coordinator Roger Petry at [roger.petry@uregina.ca](mailto:roger.petry@uregina.ca) or 306-585-5295.**



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# Backgrounder

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RCE Saskatchewan is a voluntary network of local sustainable development leaders, educators, researchers and UN agencies united under the UN Global Sustainability Goals. It is one of 160+ RCEs recognized by the United Nations University since 2005.

RCE Saskatchewan's patron is His Honour the Honourable Tom Molloy, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan.

RCE Saskatchewan partners include the United Nations University (UNU), the University of Regina, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan Polytechnic, Luther College at the University of Regina, First Nations University of Canada, Campion College at the University of Regina, City of Regina, City of Saskatoon, Craik Sustainable Living Project

Six Initiatives partnered with RCE Saskatchewan have received global awards from the UN University:

- RCE Saskatchewan Annual Recognition Event – 2013
- Saskatchewan Ecomuseums Initiative – 2014
- RCE K-12 Education Web Site – 2014
- Voluntary Sector Studies Network – 2015
- Sustainability and Education Policy Network - 2016
- Community Collaboration for Potash Mine Engagement - 2017

**Our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Sustainability Awards** were presented May 8 at Hannin Creek Education and Applied Research Centre in Candle Lake, Saskatchewan. Approximately 29 Saskatchewan initiatives were recognized, and participants also toured the centres facilities, both indoor and outdoor. Sponsors of the event were APEGS, Saskatchewan Polytechnic, University of Regina, Luther College (U of R), Campion College (U of R), Northern Lights Casino, P3A Architects, University of Saskatchewan Office of Sustainability, School of the Environment and Sustainability (USask), Saskatchewan Environmental Society and SaskWater.

**For more information on RCE Saskatchewan or any of the flagship initiatives, visit [www.saskrce.ca](http://www.saskrce.ca) or contact coordinator Roger Petry [roger.petry@uregina.ca](mailto:roger.petry@uregina.ca) or 585-5295.**