



Mid Valley Recycling

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YOUTH RECYCLING PROJECT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

The Recycling Product Development Project is sponsored by Mid Valley Recycling (MVR). Its purpose is to stimulate the interest of young people in recycling and the development of new products that utilize reusable waste materials collected in the Valley. Waste materials may be collected in the Valley as well as outlying areas as may be appropriate.

MVR coordinates the collection and recycling of recyclable materials at the Big Lake Transfer Site and will work with valley youth, school and other groups for this project, including Meadow Lakes Community Development Corporation, Inc. , Valley Community for Recycling Solutions and the Matanuska Susitna Borough and with the support of MatSu Health Foundation.. Mid Valley Recycling's goal is to promote recycling and the local use and remanufacturing of these materials, and the local use of the end products.

PRIZES will be awarded in three categories:

- 1: K - 4th grade or 5 to 9 year old youth (Four prizes of \$500 each)
- 2: Middle and junior high 10 to 13 year old youth (first place - \$2000 and second place - \$1000)
- 3: Senior high 14 to 19 year old youth (first place - \$3000 and second place - \$2000)

TIME: Applications must be submitted by March 30, 2024.

WINNERS: Will be notified by May 1, 2024.

Winners will be asked to participate in post-award public relations promotions of the products (radio and tv interviews, etc.)

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

NAME OR NAMES OF STUDENTS AND THEIR AGES :

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

NAME OF PROJECT:

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

1. **Describe the local need or use of this product and how it could be distributed or sold locally.**

2. **What material will be used for this project?** _____

3. **Demonstrate or explain how this remanufacturing can be replicated on a large enough scale to use a substantial amount of the available material.**

4. **Verify that this remanufacturing does not create extra waste or pollution.**

5. List the required permits or other paperwork needed for this project to be completed locally.

6. Describe where this remanufacturing could take place, e.g., what facilities are needed and where in the valley could this be located.

7. How many people could be involved in this remanufacturing?

8. What additional information do you wish to give the selection committee

Feel free to submit videos, diagrams, drawings or other useful material to facilitate our understanding of your proposal. Contact taylorssammy230@gmail.com with your questions.