

SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS

2015

BRUCE PEOPLES ECO-EMPLOYEE AWARD

Julie Elam

Lakewood Heritage Center—Zero Waste



Spearheaded by **Julie Elam** since the earliest phases of this project, the Lakewood Heritage Center's (LHC) approach to zero waste has been a gradual endeavor since 2008 and in 2014 it reached new levels of success, especially with regard to composting. At the 2014 Cider Days event, attended by 10,500 patrons, 3.7 tons of waste was diverted from the landfill. From the outset, Julie has recognized that by reducing LHC footprint and educating the Lakewood community about reducing theirs, she could cultivate awareness and generate sustained and impactful change.

Julie's passion for sustainable waste management is felt both by her fellow employees, as well as the broader community. Zero waste at LHC consists of day-to-day operations and event-based waste sorting stations. These components serve to educate others on how to properly dispose of their waste and show what can be accomplished with initiative and commitment are combined around a worthy cause.



Achievement Area

Waste Reduction & Recycling

