



May 2023 – Newsletter



Join us at Publix Super Markets in Lakeland for an educational session and tour of their Dairy Plant and Return Center

Learn how the Publix team manages its recycling programs. We will begin the day at the Dairy Plant Hospitality Center where the Publix team will speak about their recycling programs, followed by a tour of the Return Center and Dairy Plant. Lunch is included!

Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023
Time: Check in begins at 8:30 am and program at 9:00 am
Fee: \$75 donation to the Florida Recycling Partnership Foundation

More information on our Event Page - <https://flrecycling.org/event/>

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/publix-super-markets-dairy-center-and-return-center-education-and-tour-tickets-615064794357>

Florida Chamber of Commerce Leadership Conference on Safety, Health & Sustainability



Earlier this month, the Florida Recycling Partnership Foundation participated in the Florida Chamber of Commerce Leadership Conference on Safety, Health & Sustainability. Keyna Cory, our Executive Director was one of the guest speakers who talked about “*Innovations in Recycling and Repurposing: What Organizations Can Do Better.*” She used FRPF members as examples showing their recycling and sustainability programs. FRPF also had a booth in the exhibit hall where our team was able to talk with attendees about the benefits of recycling.



Florida Recycles Day – November 15

Save the Date! The Florida Recycling Partnership Foundation and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection will hold a one-day event celebrating Florida Recycles Day on November 15 at the Patel Center located on the campus of the University of South Florida. There will be educational sessions and presentations of the Recycling Champion Awards and the DEP Recycling Recognition Award. More information will be provided soon. If you are interested in being a sponsor, please contact Keyna Cory – keyna@flrecycling.org

Research Projects

“Investigating the Economics of Current and Future Recycling Programs in Florida”

The University of Florida study commissioned by the Florida Recycling Partnership Foundation, “Investigating the Economics of Current and Future Recycling Programs in Florida” was recently featured in the Resource Recycling Magazine. <https://resource-recycling.com/recycling/2023/05/17/known-quantities/>

Also, Dr. Malak Anshassi, one of the authors of the study, and our Executive Director, Keyna Cory, were interviewed by Anni Ellis for the Sustainable Living Show aired on WMNF 88.5 FM.

Articles about the study have appeared in over 20 media outlets, including television and radio.

UF Produces New Study on Recycling ...

Dr. Tim Townsend and Dr. Malak Anshassi have authored another study about recycling. Below is the link to the paper and the blog.

America’s Crisis of Confidence with Recycling

(<https://sustainabilitycommunity.springernature.com/posts/america-s-crisis-of-confidence-with-recycling>)

Paper Link: <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41893-023-01122-8>

Member News ...



Coke Florida Recognized as a US Best Managed Company, Second Consecutive Year

<https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20230508005500/en/Coke-Florida-Recognized-as-a-US-Best-Managed-Company-Second-Consecutive-Year>

Wawa Pledges \$1 Million to Florida Food Bank

<https://cstoredecisions.com/2023/05/23/wawa-pledges-1-million-to-florida-food-bank/>

Karl Berven Celebrates 25 Years at Bealls ...

Congratulations to Karl Berven, FRPF Chair-Elect, on celebrating 25 years at Bealls.

Karl is the Director of Corporate Services for Bealls, Inc., a United States retailer of 700 stores founded in 1915 in Bradenton, Florida. In 1998, Karl was recruited by Bradenton-based Bealls Inc., as Manager of Corporate Services. When the existing Facilities Manager retired, Karl accepted the position of Director of Facilities & Corporate Services, with expanded areas of responsibility. In this capacity he has managed \$23 million in annual utility expenses, overseen administration of waste and recycling services, and has initiated robust sustainability practices. Other areas of oversight included management of Bealls' 130 car fleet program which is currently being transitioned to all electric, Bealls' corporate employee relocation program, and corporate office space management.

Be safe, stay healthy and keep recycling!

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