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2021 CDRA Awards Announced

Trey Brown, Kim Williams Named to C&D Hall of Fame Champion Waste & Recycling Named Recycler of the Year John Thomas Named CDRA Member of the Year

Mason "Trey" Brown III, Big City Crushed Concrete, Dallas, and Kim Williams, Marpan Recycling, Tallahassee, FL, will be inducted into the C&D Hall of Fame, the industry's highest honor, at C&D World March 21-23 in Austin, TX. Champion Waste & Recycling is the facility named C&D Recycler of the Year, while John Thomas, R&B Debris, is CDRA Member of the Year.

These awards were announced by the Construction & Demolition Recycling Association in recognition for excellence in the C&D industry.



Mason "Trey" Brown III, Big City Crushed Concrete



Kim Williams, Marpan Recycling

C&D Hall of Fame

Big City Crushed Concrete is an original

member of the CDRA, and Trey Brown has been to more of CDRA's Annual Meetings, C&D World, than any other attendee, starting with the first one in Chicago. Established in 1988, Big City is very active in its local community, and Trey, one of the best concrete recycling plant operators in the country, has always been willing to talk with his peers about the best way to run a recycling operation.

Big City worked closely with TxDOT to help create the Texas market for recycled road base, especially the company's local highway district. Currently the company is operating eight permanent sites and has a robust mobile crushing business as well.

Trey has also served two terms on the CDRA Board of Directors, and Big City has been an annual corporate sponsor of the CDRA since the program started. He joins his father, Mason Brown, in the Hall of Fame, to be the first father-son combination so honored.

Kim Williams' family-owned Marpan Recycling has long been noted as an innovative developer of new end markets for recycled materials. While the operation started more than 50 years ago as a container services company, its first expansion was in 1968 with a State of Florida Lightbulb Contract and kept that through 1986, when Marpan received its exclusive Lamp Contract with the State of Florida. Marpan held that exclusive contract through 2012. So the company had a long history of recycling before Kim took it over as president in 1985. Kim figured out there was a problem with lamp ballast and set up a fluorescent lighting recycling system after lobbying the legislature about the problem from mercury in the ballast. In 2008 he led the creation of Tallhassee's first mixed C&D processing facility, and at one point was capable of making more than 70 different end products from the mixed stream. A curbside MRF came in 2009 to provide more services. Kim served on the CDRA Board of Directors for six years.

C&D Recycler of the Year

C&D Recycler of the Year is Champion Waste & Recycling, Dallas, TX. Winning a major award is nothing new for this woman-owned and family operated multi-facility company. It has received several state awards in recent years as it grows its footprint throughout the DFW Metroplex. Started in 2001, the vertically integrated company has grown exponentially, and has helped recycle much of the C&D materials in the booming North Dallas area, where its C&D recycling plant is located, and is the most advanced C&D plant in the region. The company also has a thriving hauling operation that brings in much of the material to be processed, but also accepts debris from third-party haulers, especially those looking for support for LEED credits. The company has been very open to letting people tour the site, and providing operating and end market advice.

CDRA Member of the Year

Since John Thomas, President of R&B Debris, Hainesport, NJ, joined the CDRA Board of Directors two years ago, he has been very active in helping the CDRA move forward, which benefits all of the C&D industry. He was the first chair of CDRA's new End Markets Committee, a major undertaking to get this important committee going. He has been very open with sharing information about various end products his company manufacturers and new end markets found. R&B Debris has sponsored a \$1,000 contest to reward a company that provides the most new members to the CDRA. He also serves on CDRA's Legislative Committee.

CDRA's Risk Management Committee Announces 2021 Safety Awards

The C&D Recycling Association's Risk Management Committee announced the results of its 2021 Safety Awards, and 12 companies were recognized.

The awards have a two-fold purpose. First, of course, is to recognize excellence in the important area of safety and risk management. But a second purpose is to allow an operation to evaluate and take a good hard look at its safety program, and maybe see ways to improve it. That is why so many of the participants in the program fill out the form every year, to make sure they are taking all necessary steps.

10 companies reached or maintained Gold Status:

- Champion Waste & Recycling
- Cherry Companies
- DTG Recycle
- Gray & Sons, Inc.
- Lautenbach Recycling
- Michael Brothers Hauling
- Premier Recycle Co.
- Resource Waste Services
- Southwind RAS

Two other companies achieved Silver Status:

- Mazza Recycling Services
- R&B Debris

The CDRA Safety Awards program has provided several benefits to members since its inception five years ago, but the CDRA Risk Management Committee is planning to expand, modify and upgrade the criteria for the award in order to help the participants reach higher levels of safety.

All of the award winners will be honored as part of the CDRA's Annual Membership Meeting at C&D World 2021 March 21-23 in Austin, TX.

Register for C&D World 2021

In-person C&D World 2021 Looks to be a

Success

Nearly 100 early registrants and 20 booths are signs that the C&D industry still wants to get together despite the current pandemic, and they can at the Annual Meeting of the CDRA March 21-23 in Austin, TX. The event will be in-person and will follow and even go beyond all recommended CDC guidelines. Here is a link to all the safety steps the host hotel will be taking, which go above and beyond the expected: <u>https://vimeo.com/490854460</u>. Even then, a virtual option will be offered to stream the event's educational sessions.

C&D World, the only event focused on the C&D industry, has long been known as the gathering place for the industry because of the excellent networking opportunities. At the urging of the CDRA Board and its members, that will still happen, but for 2021 the exhibit hall will be spread out and any adjacent booths will not face each other. The single room used for sessions is large, allowing for maximum distance between participants. And throughout it all sanitary measures will include numerous hand cleansing stations, food and beverage dispensed in individual containers, and electrostatic germ cleaning equipment. These added actions will in no way distract from the quality of the program, or the ability to see the latest goods and services available to the industry in the exhibit hall. An economic forecast in the time of Covid is planned, as well as end markets discussions, working to get government grants, and other useful sessions.

Registration to C&D World is open at <u>www.cdrecycling.org</u>. There are still spots available in the exhibit hall, as well as sponsorship opportunities. For information on those, or anything else connected with C&D World 2021, please contact William Turley, <u>turley@cdrecycling.org</u>; 630-258-9047.

EPA's Latest Numbers on Waste Generation, Recycling

The U.S. EPA released its latest C&D generation figures as part of its annual Sustainable Materials Management report, and they are estimating C&D to be 600 million tons a year, which is more than twice the size of MSW, which is also profiled in the report. They also make estimates on how much is recycled. They didn't run any of this by anyone. Here is the link to the C&D part of the report: https://www.epa.gov/facts-and-figures-about-materials-waste-and-recycling/construction-and-demolition-debris-material

The EPA is also holding a webinar on the report. It is called *Material Characterization and Economic Impacts of Recycling - 2020 Reports* on February 25, 2021, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Eastern time.

In 2018, the United States generated more than 292 million tons of municipal solid waste. Measuring waste generation and how it is managed characterizes the national waste stream and is an important foundation for managing materials.

Join us for a webinar on the latest information reported in EPA's most recent Advancing Sustainable Materials Management (SMM): Facts and Figures 2018 report. EPA will present on trends in U.S. materials generation, including recycling, composting, combustion with energy recovery and landfilling. The second half of this webinar will cover economic indicators and trend data such as personal consumer expenditures, commodity values and tipping fees included in the latest Recycling Economic Information report. This report examined the larger economic implications of material reuse and recycling.

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WasteExpo Moving Forward

Most of us have never experienced a pandemic before — or its consequences. But now, it's time to get back to business. And WasteExpo is taking steps to ensure your safety. For 50+ years, WasteExpo has provided the industry with comradery, opportunity, technology, and the most comprehensive education program in the industry.

So join WasteExpo at the leading solid waste and recycling event in North America, June 28-30, 2021 in Las Vegas.

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Industry News

Environmental justice and a focus on plastics and PFAs are goals of the expected EPA Administrator, Michael Regan. Find out more in this article:

EPA nominee Regan advances after highlighting plastics, PFAS challenges

Vinyl Institute recently held a webinar that provided an economic forecast for manufacturing, which is actually not in bad shape:

Manufacturing an Economic Bright Spot Amidst Pandemic



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