

## Enhancing Local Recycling

Thank you to Mr. Lyon-Callo for asking "Isn't it time the township evaluated and enhanced local recycling?" The simple answer is "YES" and now is a great time to build a clearer vision of what we'd like to see in the future. Please share your ideas at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/2015recycle](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2015recycle) and I will summarize them next month!

## Meridian Partners in Regional Recycling Study

Recycling has expanded greatly in the past decade but most recyclables are still hauled to material recovery facilities (MRFs) many miles away. Meridian has recently partnered with Lansing, E. Lansing, Clinton County, Eaton County and others to study recycling opportunities in the tri-county region such as a local MRF, a regional transfer station, and more. See <http://recycle.meridian.mi.us/r2c2/cgap>.

## Historic Trash Audit Completed

What did volunteers find digging through 13,000 lbs of trash? Find out at <http://bit.ly/CARTAUDIT>

## Help Plant a "Solar Garden" in Meridian!

Consumers Energy is exploring locations for a huge "solar garden" in Meridian Township - but it won't happen without you! If enough interest is shown - and a site is located -- this 4-7 acre solar electric array will provide a megawatt (1,000,000 watts) in full sunlight and 1.4 million kilowatt-hours(kwh) annually. For comparison, an average home uses about 30 kwh/day or ~11,000kwh/yr. This solar garden will provide opportunities to invest in solar without the potential headaches of installation, maintenance, or financing. Learn more at <http://bit.ly/solarinterest>.

## Recycling Perspectives

A recent article "[American Recycling is Stalling, and the Big Blue Bin is one Reason Why](#)" has caused quite a stir. Here's one alternative view response: <http://bit.ly/eurekas> Read about the State of Recycling in MI at <http://bit.ly/stateMI> Please voice your perspectives at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/2015recycle](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2015recycle).

## Eco-Roundabout

Support is still needed for the roundabout at Burcham and Park Lake Rd. While over 20% of funds are committed, help (time, materials, and \$\$) is necessary to make this project a reality. Visit <http://www.gofundme.com/eco-roundabout> for more information!

Discover answers to your recycling questions at <http://recycle.meridian.mi.us> or call 853-4466.

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