

**Manistee-Missaukee-Wexford Multi-County
Materials Management Planning Committee Minutes
May 28, 2025 at 10:00 AM
Manistee County Government Center
415 3rd St, Manistee, MI 49660**

MMPC Member Attendance			
Chris Gee, GFL <i>rep. of a solid waste disposal facility</i>	P	Nikki Koons, Manistee County <i>elected official of the county</i>	P
Todd Harland, Republic Services <i>rep. of a hauler</i>	P	Larry Paquette, Cedar Creek Township <i>elected official of a township</i>	E
<i>To be appointed as alternate</i> Luke Mattison, Ms. Green <i>rep. of a materials recovery facility</i>	A	Joe Gryzbowski, City of Manton <i>elected official of a city or village</i>	P
Jason Murphy, Waste Management <i>rep. of a composting facility</i>	P	Cory Brown, Northern Disposal <i>business rep. generating material</i>	P
Karla Kasten-Smith, BARC <i>rep. of a diversion, reuse, or reduction</i>	P	Mike Szokola, Networks Northwest <i>rep. of the regional planning area</i>	P
Renee Mallison, Manistee Conservation District <i>rep. of an environmental interest group</i>	E	Sherry Blaszak, Missaukee County Planning Commission <i>Member of General Public</i>	P
Jason Baughan, Wexford County <i>multi-county appointment</i>	E		
TO BE APPOINTED <i>Multi-County Elected Official (Wexford)</i>	-	<i>Attendance Key:</i> <i>A – Absent</i>	<i>P – Present</i> <i>E - Excused Absence</i>
Staff in Attendance: Lisa Sagala (Manistee County), Mathew Cooke (DPA Representative)			

1. Call to Order

Larry Paquette, MMPC Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Review Proposed Agenda

Motion by Karla Kasten-Smith, supported by Jason Murphy, to approve the May 29, 2025 MMPC agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of April 23, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Chris Gee, supported by Sherry Blaszk, to approve the April 23, 2025 MMPC Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. EGLE Materials Management Planning Presentation

Tracy Tomazsewski, EGLE Recycling Specialist, provided a Materials Management Planning presentation (attached).

6. Materials Management Planning

Survey

The MMPC reviewed the draft surveys and offered the following comments:

Resident Survey

- Change municipality to township, city, or village
- Asking if residents know how much/if they pay for recycling
 - Millage, taxes, PA 59, etc.
- Asking if residents would pay more for increased services
 - Would you participate, pay to participate, pay more to participate
 - pay for recycling services, organics, none, etc.

Local Units of Government Survey

- Add non-existent to Q6 options
- Add Quarterly, Multiple times per year to Q10 answers
- Add question: If they do not recycle, why?

Business Survey

- Question about business food waste
- Styrofoam and to-go containers - how are they handled?

7. Public Comment

None.

8. Committee Comments

None.

9. Adjourn

Mathew Cooke mentioned the next meeting is planned for June 25th at 10:00am at the Missaukee County Annex Building in Lake City.

Motion by Mike Szokola, supported by Joe Gryzabowski, to adjourn the May 28, 2025 MMPC meeting at 11:26 am. Motion carries unanimously.



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ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

Manistee-Missaukee-Wexford County
*Working Together with Michigan's
Evolving Approach to Materials
Management*

Updates to Part 115

- ✓ Passed December 2022; Became effective March 29, 2023. Significantly changes the solid waste landscape in Michigan.
- ✓ Focus of planning has shifted towards materials management
 - Help to set/achieve priorities & the vision for each Planning Area
- ✓ The changes promote Material Management with the goals of:
 - Reducing the overall waste generated
 - Providing for innovative reuse of materials
 - Increased recycling, materials diversion and utilization
- ✓ Provides standards for recycling and composting facilities

Why is this Important?

- ✓ Shift the focus: **landfill capacity → diversion of materials**
- ✓ Recyclables are not waste – they are feedstock
- ✓ There is a supply gap for recyclable materials
- ✓ Recycling is a scalable, cost-effective climate solution

MMP Development

(Based on Notice of Intent (NOI) correspondences)

Multicounty MMPs Counties

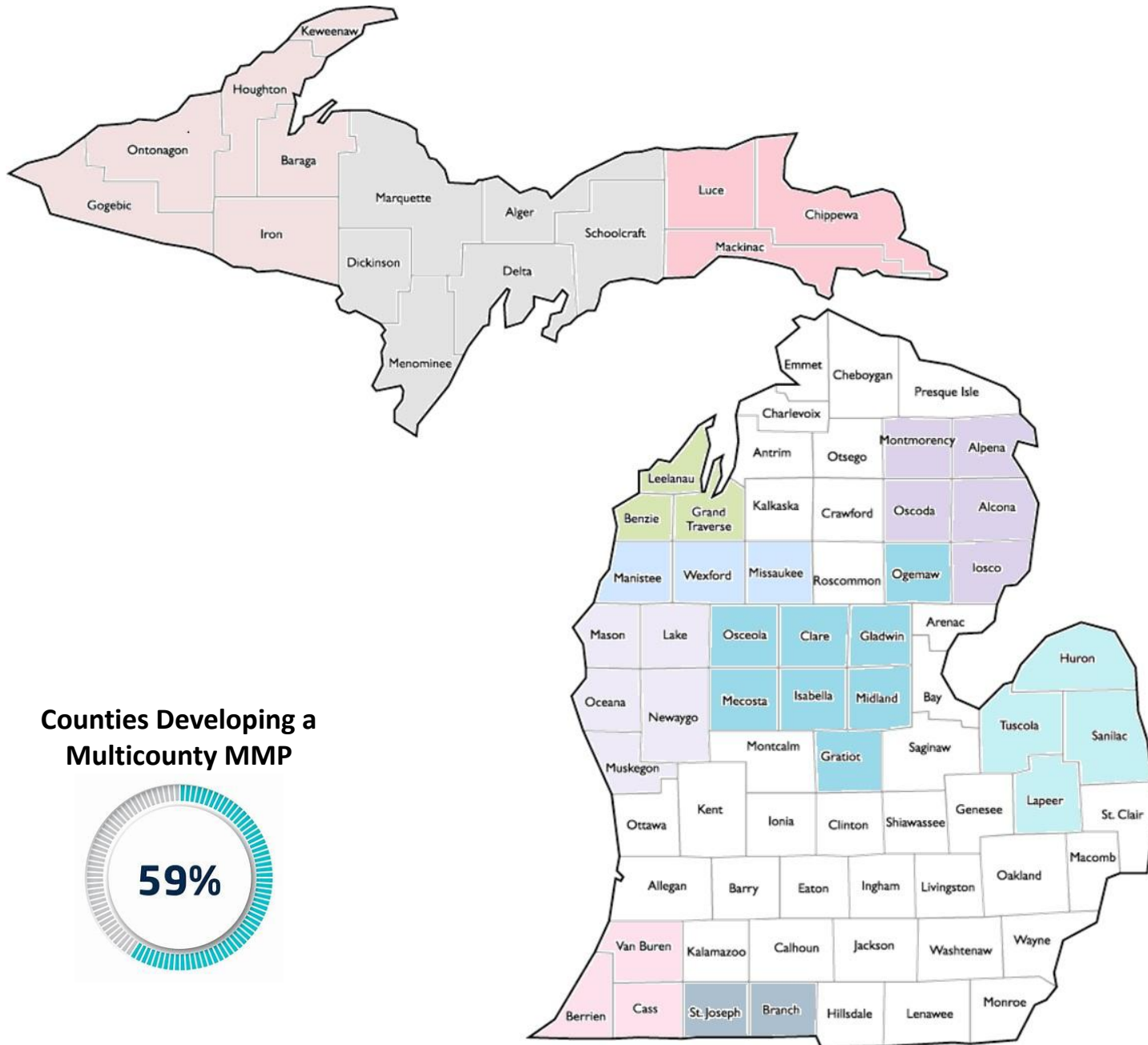
WUPPDR: Baraga, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw, Ontonagon	CUPPAD: Alger, Delta, Dickinson, Marquette, Menominee, Schoolcraft
EUP: Chippewa, Luce, Mackinac	Benzie, Grand Traverse, Leelanau
Manistee, Missaukee, Wexford	WMSRDC: Lake, Mason, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana
Hartland: Clare, Gladwin, Gratiot, Isabella, Mecosta, Midland, Ogemaw, and Osceola.	Thumb Region: Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, Tuscola
SWMPC: Berrien, Cass, Van Buren	Branch, St. Joseph
MOIAA: Alpena, Alcona, Iosco, Montmorency, Oscoda	

Counties in white are pursuing the MMP as a single county or have received an extension for its NOI submittal.

NOTE: The following counties have been accepted for a NOI extension: Clare, Gladwin, Gratiot, **Hillsdale**, Huron, Isabella, **Kalkaska**, Lapeer, Mecosta, Midland, Ogemaw, Osceola, Sanilac, Tuscola, and **Wayne**.

NOTE: Bolded counties equals single county.

Counties Developing a Multicounty MMP



CURRENT STEPS

Work Programs

- Over 50% of counties submitted and approved
- Identify DPA, appoint planning committee, determine task and budget

MMP Grants:

- Used for costs for preparing, implementing, and maintaining MMP
- Reimbursement for NOI and Work Program Development available
- Non-competitive
- Statutory amount specified



Begin Drafting MMP!

NEW MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLANS

- All counties will have an MMP
- New focus on materials management
- Help to achieve planning area's vision & priorities
- Creates needed infrastructure & programs for utilization
- Brings back personnel & resources statewide

Priorities: Baseline and Goal Setting!



Materials Management Planning Overview



Planning Area Profile

- ✓ Population
- ✓ Generation
- ✓ Materials Management Infrastructure & Systems
 - ✓ Inventory of all facilities
 - ✓ Hauler Service Providers
 - ✓ Other Collection Events
- ✓ MSW Recycling Rate

Materials Management Goals

- ✓ Diversion of Organics & Recyclables from Disposal
- ✓ Benchmark Recycling Standards
- ✓ Implementation Strategy

Mechanisms

- ✓ Funding and Enforcement
- ✓ Responsible Parties
- ✓ Siting Process

Administration

- ✓ Responsible Parties



Benchmark Recycling Standards



January 1, 2026: Urban Areas

January 1, 2028: Municipalities with more than 5,000

January 1, 2032: Counties will be required to provide a number of drop off locations according to the population of residents in the county without access to curbside recycling

CURBSIDE RECYCLING

90 percent of single-family dwellings must have access to curbside recycling

DROP OFF RECYCLING

Locations are available at least 24 hours per month

ANNUAL MMP GRANTS & REGIONAL INCENTIVES

- Covers local costs for **preparing**, implementing, and maintaining MMPs
 - \$60,000 for each county
 - \$10,000/county additional for multi-county planning
 - \$0.50 per capita, up to \$300,000,
 - Cover the higher upfront costs of initiating the new planning process (First 3 years only)
 - Manistee \$82,516.00 /year for first 3 years
 - Missaukee \$77,526.00/year for first 3 years
 - Wexford \$86,836.50/year for first 3 years



- **Contracts** for collections should include goals of the MMP
- Include/share **reporting** requirements
- **Share knowledge – work together**
- **Agreements** or other **mechanisms** (help to enact)
- **Ensure** business sustainability/recycling **goals** are **identified** in the MMP
- Ensure **ALL goals** are identified in the MMP
- **Partnerships**
- **Think about the future** help to develop the **vision**
- Look for **better ways to manage** materials
- **Share MMPC notices**
- **Share education** developed from the Planning area
- **Advocate for better practices & be a voice to help educate others**
- Talk to others about **why** manage materials better & the vision of the MMP

Next Steps

Materials Management Planning Committee Meetings

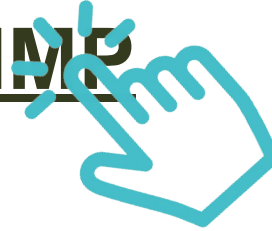
Work program submitted 4-23-2025 (waiting for updates)



Materials Management Plan Due
July 6, 2027

PLANNING HUB

MMP : www.Michigan.gov/EGLEMMMP



NEW Materials Management Plans (MMPs) have officially been called for.

New MMPs are in the approval and development process. Materials management planning is a program designed to guide the management of counties' materials, with an emphasis on increasing sustainable practices, such as recycling and composting, in addition to ensuring safe disposal options. These materials can include food waste, yard clippings, recyclables, other source separated materials, and solid waste. The new law establishes statewide recycling goals and standards, and the MMP will identify an implementation strategy to meet those goals.

CURRENT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL A NEW MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLAN IS APPROVED.



MMP Grants

Grants are available to counties for the development, implementation, and maintenance of the new Materials Management Plans (MMP). To apply, counties should submit a work program approved by their Materials Management Planning Committee (MMPC).

[Materials Management Planning Grants](#) >



Plan Development Items

- [Approval Process Worksheet](#) (track deadlines and due dates)
- [Plan Approval Process](#)
- [Materials Management Plan Format](#)
- [Planning Quick Guide](#)
- [Plan Requirements](#)
- [Multicounty Planning](#)



MMP Tools

- [Approval Process Worksheet](#)
- [Planning First Steps](#) (Gantt Chart Format)
- [Sample Notice Language for the NOI](#)
- [Materials Generation Tool](#)
- Find your County Profile: [Mega Data Collection Project](#)



Additional Resources

- [Subpart 11 of Part 115](#)
- [MMP FAQ](#)
- [MMP Toolbox](#)
- [Managing and Transforming Waste Streams: A Tool for Communities](#) | US EPA
- [MRC Sample Timeline](#)



MMP Webpage: Michigan.gov/EGLEMMP

- [Planning Quick Guide](#)
- [Q&A](#)
- [Approval Process Worksheet](#)
- [Planning First Steps](#) (Gantt Chart Format)
- [2025 MMP Grant Application](#)
- [MMP Work Program Template](#)
- [Approved Budget Form \(with narrative\)](#)
- [MMP Work Program Submittal Survey](#)



- [MMP Toolbox](#)
 - Example Agreements
 - HCA
 - ILA (Recycling & Multicounty)
 - Example Ordinances
 - Hauler
 - Recycling/Solid Waste
 - Web Resources
 - MAR
 - MRC – MMP
 - EPA (Waste Stream Tool)
 - Make the Case for Recycling (tool)
 - MMPC Bylaws
 - Recycling Guides
 - Worksheets & Info Pages
 - Recycling Cheat Sheet
 - Funding Options

CONTACT YOUR PLANNING SPECIALIST



Christina Miller
Materials Management Planning Specialist
EGLE



Amy Karana
Materials Management Analyst
EGLE



MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROGRAM



Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy | 800-662-9278 | Michigan.gov/EGLE

EGLE Recycling Program Goals

Increase **Access** to and **Participation** in recycling opportunities

Inform residents and businesses on **How, Where, and Why to Recycle**

Take an **Equitable & Inclusive** approach to expanding recycling in diverse communities.

Train the recycling professionals of tomorrow

Improve the **Quality** of recycled materials

Grow **Markets** for recycled materials

Expand **Infrastructure** to grow recycling capacity

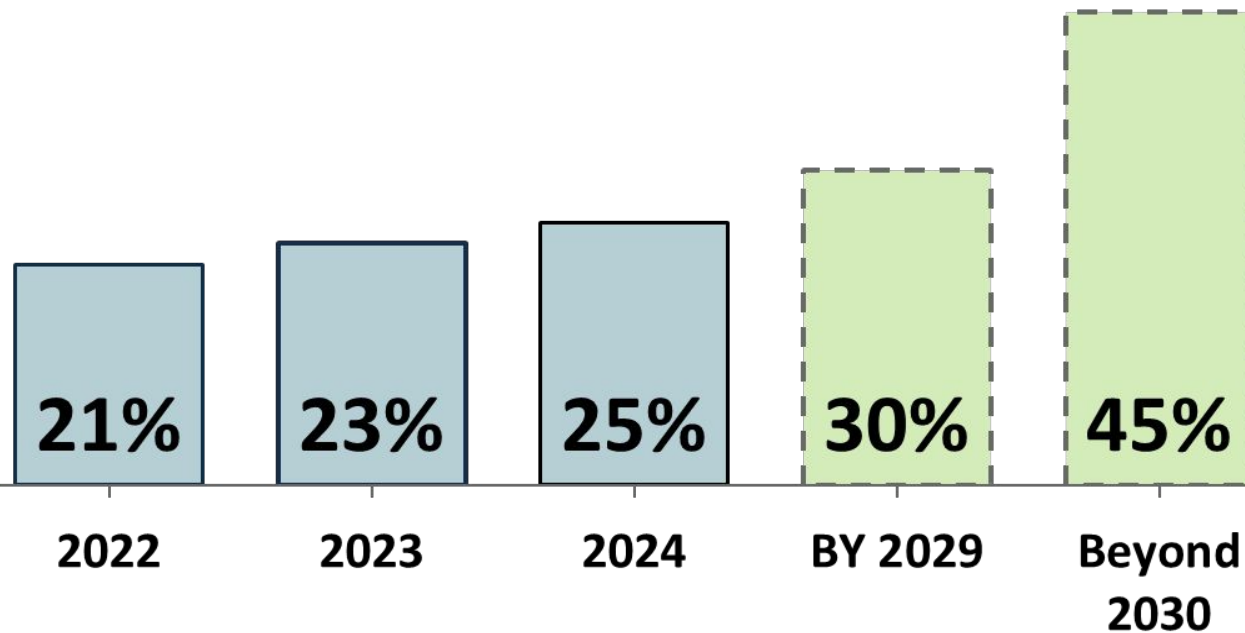
Form **Partnerships** to finance recycling activities

Grow Michigan's **Recycle Rate to 45%**

Recycling as a Climate Solution to Decarbonization

State of Michigan Recycling Goals

Recycling Rate



Food Waste Reduction

50% total reduction
of food loss and waste

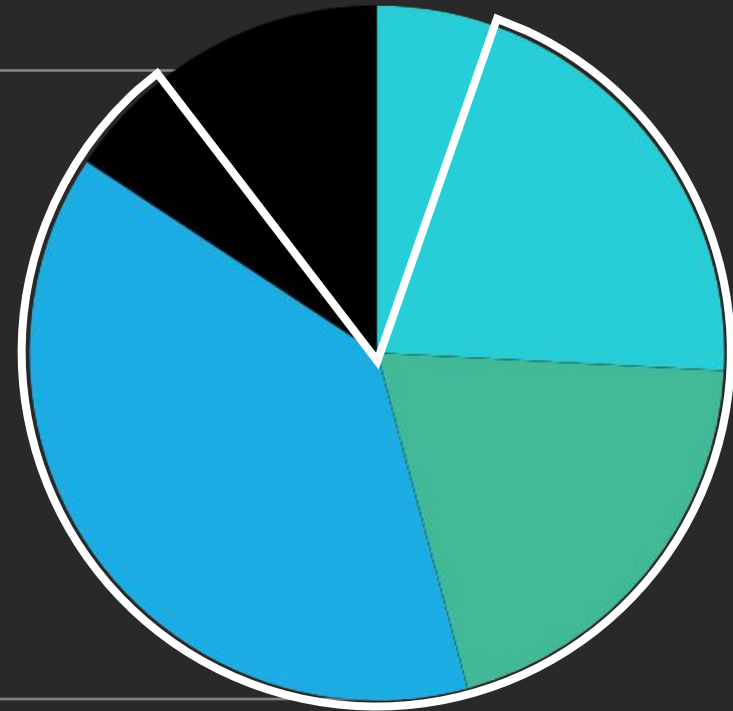
Based on a 2021 baseline

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COMPOSITION

MIXED RECYCLABLES - paper, glass and plastic bottles and jars, plastic tubs and containers, and metal cans

OTHER RECYCLABLES - textiles, appliances, scrap metal, electronics, bulky plastics, and plastics films

ORGANICS & COMPOSTABLES - yard and food waste as well as compostable paper and compostable food service packaging



MICHIGAN'S RECYCLING PATH **FORWARD**

6.8M

tons of
opportunity
being wasted

2.7M

2.7M more
tons targeted
to reach 45%
goal

\$9B

potential
total annual
labor
income

\$33B

potential
economic
output

KEEPING VALUE IN COMMUNITIES



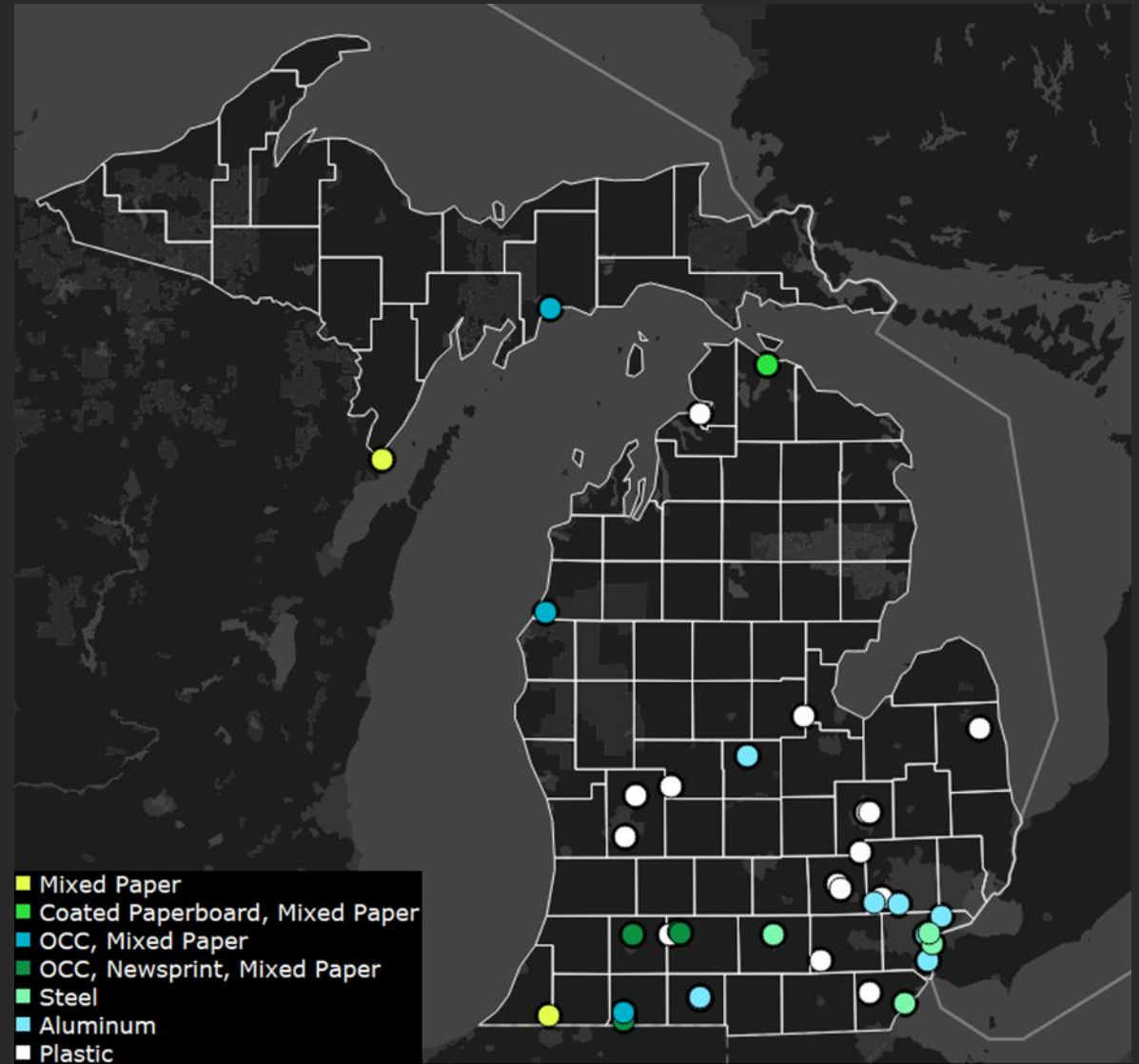
Value leaving communities



Value building communities

MICHIGAN END MARKETS

*Michigan does not have
any glass cullet plants or
aluminum UBC plants*



Data Source: RRS Database

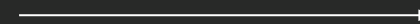
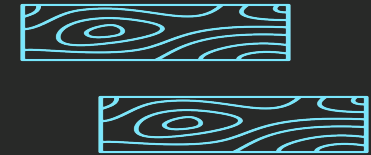
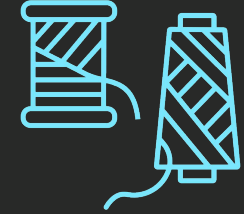
Refer to interactive map: <https://www.nextcyclemichigan.com/end-markets-base-map>

END MARKETS

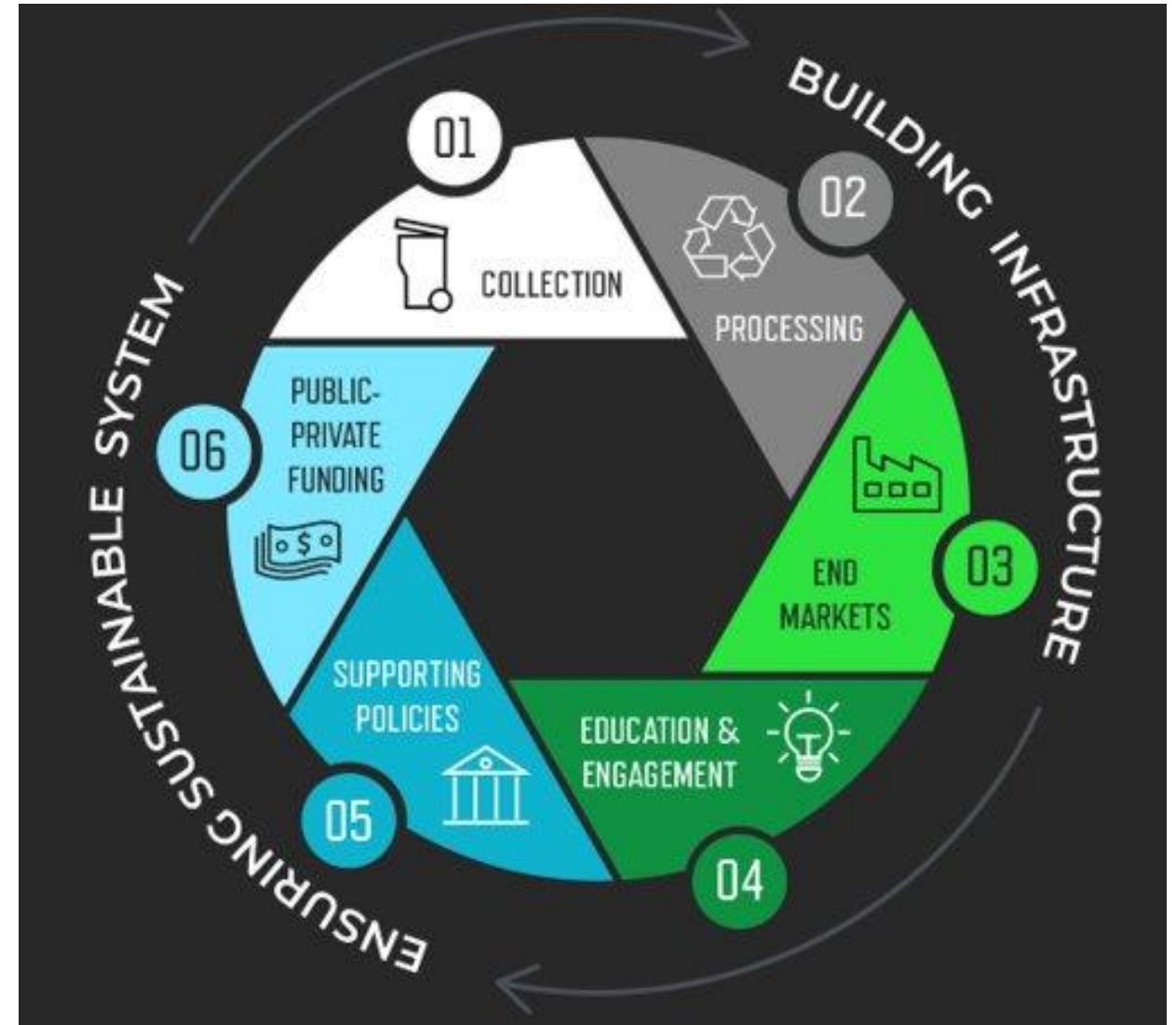
Building end
market demand
is key to
reaching **45%**
recovery.

FEEDSTOCK

NEW PRODUCT



BEST PRACTICES FOR IMPLEMENTING RECYCLING



Goal: Sustainable Mechanisms: Ordinances, Agreements, & Contracts

Why: Ongoing policy, contracts, and partnerships to implement successful programs is critical to long term materials management.

- Establish service requirements
- Create fair/consistent operating environment for haulers
 - Hours, routing, etc.
- License haulers
- Opportunity for data collection & metrics gathering
- Authorities provide shared services
 - Potential improved services and cost sharing
- Provide single hauler within a service area
- Identify metrics and data expectations
- Requirement for material flow
- **AND MORE!**



Goal: Sustainable Funding Mechanisms

Why: Ongoing funding to implement, support, and improve programs is critical to long term materials management.

- **General Fund Appropriation**
- **Landfill Surcharge and/or Disposal Facility Surcharge**
- **Community Host Agreement**
- **Franchising/Licensing Fee**
- **PA185** – Public Works Assessment on local parcels
- **PA69** – \$25/year surcharge on residential; voter approval can add commercial up to \$50/year
- **Voter Approved Millage** – millage for services by vote of residents
- **Fee** – household fee collected via property tax by vote of residents to cover costs for specific services
- **Operating revenue** - charging a fee for services that offsets or completely covers the cost for those services.





THE MICHIGAN MATERIALS MARKETPLACE

Rheaply

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NEXTCYCLE
MICHIGAN

The Marketplace is an online platform designed to enable reuse and nimble exchange of materials between businesses.

- Post materials you are trying to get rid of
- Source materials you can utilize
- Engage with the growing network



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**BUILDING A
CIRCULAR ECONOMY**

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ACCELERATOR
PLATFORM

**171 Teams and
Projects** since launch
in 2020

Nearly \$200k in
showcase awards.
\$860k in Harvest and
MICROS grants.



PARTNERSHIP
NETWORK

138 Partners
engaged in the
Network and growing.

**\$692M tracked
investment** for
circular economy
solutions



DATA GUIDING
OPPORTUNITIES

**2019, 2021 and 2023
Gap Analysis
Updates** evaluating
the state of recycling
in Michigan and
opportunities for
solutions.

PROJECT TYPES

Providing strategic, business, and technical support for projects across multiple topic areas driven by Michigan's circular economy gaps.



FOOD SCRAPS AND ORGANICS



PUBLIC SECTOR SOLUTIONS



RECYCLING INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY



RECYCLING SUPPLY CHAINS

And other targeted topics!

EGLE/Recycling Unit

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



Program implementation, expansion, support



Best practices in program implementation



Policy and funding mechanisms



Material quality and contamination



Education, outreach, and communication



Informational presentations

EGLE/Recycling Unit Initiatives



Education



Outreach



Grant Funding



Grant
Management

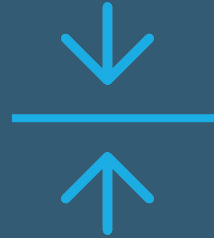


Calculate State's
Recycling Rate

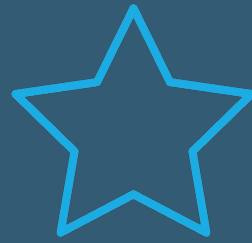
What does **success** look like?



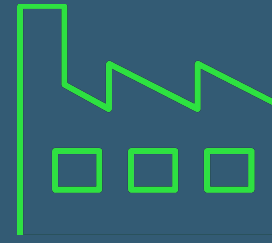
Impact to
Communities



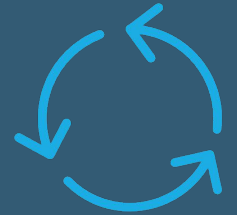
Filling
the Gaps



Attracting
Investment &
Talent



Increased Access,
Infrastructure &
End Markets



A Growing &
Robust Circular
Economy in
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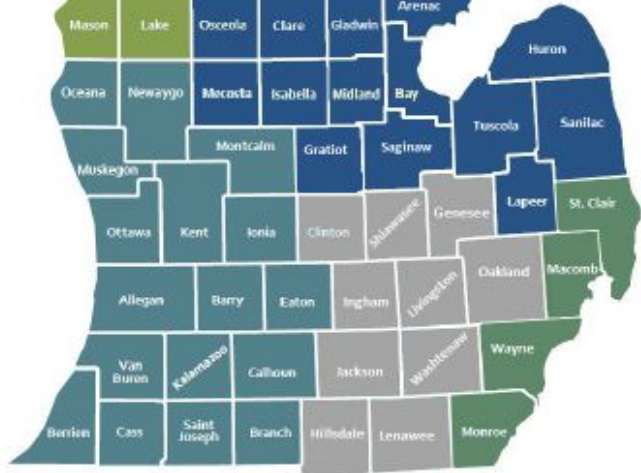


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