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Dear Friends,

As we gear up for Thanksgiving and the holiday season, the IRC team would like to share our gratitude list! We are particularly grateful for the following things....

1. IRC members, donors, volunteers, board members, supporters, community partners and sponsors - working with us to create a more sustainable Indiana!
2. The energy and support generated at our 25th anniversary celebration on November 15...photos and highlights below!
3. Indiana's new 50% recycling goal!
4. New, exciting public space and K12 recycling projects coming in 2015!

These are just a few of the reasons that Jean, Danni, Rachel and I are grateful to come into the office every day. Together with you, we are doing important work.

Please know that your support of the IRC is making a difference.

Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!!

Sustainably yours,

Carey

Carey Hamilton
Executive Director



REVENT, the IRC's annual fundraising gala, was held on Saturday, November 15 at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Indianapolis. This year's gala was extra special as we celebrated both the 25th anniversary of the IRC as well as America Recycles Day!

Special thanks to the elected officials who joined us: Congressman Carson, State Senators Mike Young, Phil Boots, Jean Breaux, Ryan Mishler and Mark Stoops; State Representatives Cindy Kirchhofer,

Justin Moed, Dave Ober, and Sean Eberhart; Indianapolis City-County Councilors John Barth, Jeff Miller, Vop

Osili and Pam Hickman; Marion County Auditor Billie Breaux and Dan Schmidt from the office of Governor Mike Pence.

Channel 6 Reporter Kara Kenney served as our emcee for the evening and did a wonderful job entertaining attendees. We were thrilled to have Congressman Carson speak about the ability to create new, green jobs for Hoosiers by increasing recycling. Other speakers included Myles Cohen - Pratt Industries, Dan Schmidt - Governor Pence's office, and the IRC's Carey Hamilton. IRC Board President Cassie Stockamp facilitated the "Head or Tails" raffle of two Southwest Airline tickets which raised \$1,900 for the IRC. Our art and entertainment themed auction raised over \$7,000 for IRC programs and served as a fun backdrop for the cocktail hour. We are grateful for all of the donations we received for the auction which can be found [HERE](#).

We are grateful to IRC Board Members Morgan Bennett and Nick Brothers for serving on the REVENT planning committee and helping make this event a success. Thank you to our wonderful REVENT volunteers: Matt Miller, Will Schaust, Justin Morris, Lauren Hill and Jane Santucci. Special thanks to the Dumpster Drummers for putting on an amazing performance during our program and to all who participated in our first-ever vintage/thrift/upsycled/artsy fashion contest judged by guest fashion blogger [Violet Short!](#)

- If you tweeted during the event, [check out the Tweetbeam review.](#)
- Enjoy some photos (Courtesy of Dan Axler) from the event [HERE](#).
- Also, there are three photos from REVENT in this multi-event slideshow @ [Indy Star!](#)

Finally, thanks to our [generous sponsors!](#)



The IRC is delighted to announce that we are partnering with Dumpster Drummers to bring entertaining recycling programs to more schools across Indiana. The Dumpster Drummers group was created in 2009 in collaboration with Kira Blacketer of the Allen County Solid Waste Management District with the goal of providing entertaining and memorable recycling programs for schools. Since then, the Dumpster Drummers have expanded their reach and offer programs to schools, parks, and libraries across the state of Indiana. Learn more about them [HERE](#).



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SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT: *Pratt Industries*



Construction of Pratt Industries' new "State of The Art" Paper Mill next to its cardboard box plant in Valparaiso, Indiana is progressing according to plan. The \$260 million dollar investment clearly demonstrates Pratt Industries' commitment to continued growth and job creation.

The 100% recycled paper mill will produce papers for sustainable lightweight packaging. It will be the most technologically advanced and eco-friendly mill worldwide, bringing the company's overall containerboard production capacity to 1.5 million tons. The new facility, scheduled to begin production in August 2015, will add 100 new full-time workers to the existing 280 workers at Pratt's container plant. Pratt Industries' expanded industry footprint will allow them to better service the needs of their growing customer base not only in the Midwest but throughout the United States.

To support the raw material needs for the new facility in Valparaiso, Pratt recently invested in a new recycling plant in Gary, Indiana. This plant will process thousands of tons of recycled paper each month and will be an integral part of the supply chain for the Valparaiso Paper Mill. Pratt industries has been a part of the Indiana business community for many years now and looks forward to continued growth.

READY, SET.... RECYCLE!

Recycle-Bowl, Keep America Beautiful's National K-12 Recycling Competition is over and KAB is tallying results!

From October 15th through November 15th, 31 Indiana schools battled it out across the State. The Recycle-Bowl® competition reached nearly 700,000 students across America, with schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia competing.

Who will be the reigning champ in 2014?

Check back early next year to see which of the 1,445 participating schools will be the national champion, and

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who will reign as Indiana's State Champion!



Visit the [Recycle-Bowl website](#) or email [Danni](#) to learn more.

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