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## **ADEM Awarding Recycling Grants**

**MONTGOMERY** – The Alabama Department of Environmental Management will award more than \$1.7 million under the 2010 Alabama Recycling Fund Grants Program. The Department has tentatively selected 16 projects that will receive funding this year as part of the program.

The program is open to local governments and local government nonprofit authorities seeking to promote recycling efforts by enhancing established programs or by starting new recycling programs. ADEM closed the application period on March 1, and after a thorough review process has chosen the best projects for funding under the program's requirements.

The grants range in amounts from \$1,400 to \$277,868. Projects being funded for grant recipients in 2010 include purchases of recycling bins, trailers, and balers, along with establishing regional drop-off centers, creating websites, and enhancing education and outreach efforts to increase recycling of aluminum, plastic, glass, paper, cardboard, and used electronic equipment.

Entering its second year of operation, the Alabama Recycling Fund Grants Program has already been a tremendous success. Last year, ADEM awarded more than \$1.1 million to help cities and counties establish or enhance recycling programs.

Additional information on the Alabama Recycling Fund Grants Program may be obtained by contacting the ADEM Materials Management Section at (334) 271-7988 or by emailing

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