

## Edward Brophy Green Champion Award

The Rockland County Environmental Management Council (EMC) established the Edward Brophy Green Champion Award in 2013. Edward Brophy was a local artist, avid outdoorsman, member of the [Appalachian Mountain Club](#) and strong supporter of the [Environmental Defense Fund](#), as well as a long time EMC board member. The Award is given annually to an organization, business or group who has shown an exemplary focus on the environment, and complements the County Executive's Environmental Volunteer award. Recipients are publicly recognized by the EMC and Rockland County.

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## The Village of Montebello



(2013) - The Village was recognized for initiating a series of environmental firsts in Rockland including the first electronic vehicle charging station, the first solar panel installation for government buildings, the first [Tree City USA](#) designation by the Arbor Day Foundation, and the first New York State [Climate Smart Community](#) adopter. Website: [villageofmontebello.org](http://villageofmontebello.org)



Solar panels and electric vehicle charging station at Montebello's town hall. Photos by Glenn Sungela



Montebello has been a Tree City USA since 2011. Its rain garden at Town Hall was partially funded by the [Rockland County Soil and Water Conservation District](#). Photos by Glenn Sungela.



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BEAUTIFUL**

## Keep Rockland Beautiful (KRB)

(2014) - [KRB](http://www.KeepRocklandBeautiful.org) was recognized for its 20+ years of coordinating roadside and waterway cleanups throughout the County, artful receptacles and Report a Litterbug programs. Additionally, its youth oriented education programs such as Earth Basic Environmental Awareness Training (Earth BEAT), Rockland Planning and Land Use Symposium (RPLUS) and the School Bag-A-Thon were recognized. Website: [keeprocklandbeautiful.org](http://www.KeepRocklandBeautiful.org)



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## Town of Clarkstown

(2015) - The Town of Clarkstown was recognized for being the first municipality in the state to install a large-scale solar panel array atop a closed landfill and the first municipality in Rockland to make compost consisting of decayed organic material available to its residents for use as plant fertilizer and land conditioning at no charge. Additionally, the Town was recognized for creating a concrete and asphalt crushing facility at the Clarkstown Transfer Station.



Photos by Rockland Green.



## **Audubon** Rockland Audubon Society (RAS)

(2016) - RAS was recognized for its wide variety of environmental achievements such as coordinating educational workshops and field outings for youths and adults as well as coordinating the Annual Christmas Bird Count and Birdathon, installing fishing line disposal units, hosting live animal shows, establishing a Bluebird Trail program, and creating a butterfly garden at Kennedy Dells County Park. website: [rocklandaudubon.org](http://rocklandaudubon.org)





Cropsey Farm, a 25 acre farm owned and managed by the Rockland Farm Alliance.



Youths participating in RGA's Junior Farm Camp

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Village of Nyack



(2018) - The [Village of Nyack](#) mayor, board of trustees, and staff were recognized for their dedication to sustainability. Projects include: The Nyack Tree Project, including a small nursery at BOCES; establishing the County's first Sustainability Desk; working toward Climate Smart Community certification; and being an early [EPA Water-Sense Partner](#), amongst many other accomplishments.

## Sustainable Nyack Action Plan



2015-2016



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