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## Volunteer Opportunities List (personal assignments) 11-11-09

Updates to this list will be posted on the RAVI website: [www.usvircd.org/RAVI/STXRAVI.htm](http://www.usvircd.org/RAVI/STXRAVI.htm)

We encourage everyone to be a part of GREENING our island. Please report volunteer activity results and hours to: [stxra@usvircd.org](mailto:stxra@usvircd.org) and your efforts will be recognized on line and at meetings. Thank you!

1. Volunteer for 1 hour on Friday November 27<sup>th</sup> to work the RAVI table at Jump-up. RAVI T-shirts will be sold and membership encouraged through a mailing list sign up sheet.
2. Immediate need for architect or draftsman or artist to create a rendering of what the Boys & Girls Club Recycling Center drop off station should look like. A to-scale drawing of the site is available. Guidance will be provided as to the site goals and objectives. Contact Colleen [recyclecolleen58@yahoo.com](mailto:recyclecolleen58@yahoo.com)
3. Help create a system to collect cans and bring them to the Boys & Girls Club. Sign up for one of the tasks below:
  - a. Research and suggest bin type for residential use. Could be list of website links with preferred bin(s) noted.
  - b. Research and suggest bin type for outdoor and business use. Could be list of website links with preferred bin(s) noted.
  - c. Identify one or more drop-off locations for cans around the island (volunteers would pick up cans from these locations). 4-6 locations are needed. Please get verbal approval from the business or property owner and then provide contact info for RAVI follow-up.
  - d. Help ask businesses & condos to place a recycle bin on their premises (may need a flyer of bins selected)
  - e. Sign up to help pick up cans in your car/truck from assigned locations 1 day per week for a month.
  - f. Help develop/coordinate a can pick up schedule of volunteers
  - g. Create a list of trash pick-up companies on the island with names and phone numbers
  - h. Help contact trash pick-up companies to discuss future potential to pick-up cans from residences and bring them to the Boys & Girls Club Recycling Center.
4. Create a list of island events with dates and locations for possible RAVI participation. List to include Jump-ups, Mango Melee, Friday Jazz, Island Center events etc.
5. Identify list of can crushers for RAVI to purchase and sell as a fundraiser. These vary from \$13 to \$60. Some mount on a wall, some are integral to a trash can. Determine which type will be best for homeowner use; which will be best for schools or businesses.
6. Volunteer to help clean up BGC Recycling Center (date to be determined – possibly mid to late November).
7. Approach K-mart, Caribe Do-It Center, Furniture stores and other large business about what they are doing with cardboard. Is it going to the landfill or are they compacting it and shipping it off island for recycling.
8. Email Senator Malone about writing/championing legislation to phase out/ban thin plastic (free) grocery bags. Email: [smmalone1@yahoo.com](mailto:smmalone1@yahoo.com)
9. Research PET plastic (#1 clear bottles: water and soda) buyers – hopefully in Puerto Rico. How do they want it delivered (baled with caps, without caps, shredded). What is the price buyer will pay for material?
10. Research buyers for pulverized glass on the island. Glass particle size would be less than 3/8" and less than 1/8". What is the price buyer will pay for material?
11. Volunteer to write an article for the April AVIS green pages Earth Day edition.
12. Volunteer to produce an advertisement for a green business in the April AVIS green pages Earth Day edition.
13. Volunteer to help coordinate a Fluorescent bulb drive with VI Regulated Waste, DPNR, VIWMA and K-mart.
14. Organize a litter pick up event (name recognition and awareness). Make it fun!
15. Help create a repository of on-line information on 'How to reduce waste', How to compost, Where to drop off cans, etc.
16. Make suggestions for movies to watch as a group and have a discussion after the movie.
17. Make suggestions for meetings with other groups: Botanical garden, SEA, hiking association, etc
18. Research alternatives to Styrofoam that RAVI could recommend to restaurants and catering businesses
19. Research alternatives to harsh chemical herbicides the RAVI could recommend to lawn and landscaping businesses.
20. Research alternatives to harsh chemical cleaners that homeowners could make themselves or purchase.
21. Be a 'private eye' on-the-look-out for businesses, schools, and individuals who are making good environmental choices. Report your observations (along with contact information) to RAVI and we can help publicly commended good choices by writing an article or 'positive action' press release for the papers and posting on our website.
22. Volunteer to help write 'Positive Action' press releases and articles (see above).
23. Work with a senator to develop legislation to add recycled glass (sand) to our road construction materials.
24. Help write a grant for RAVI to submit to VIWMA in January to receive assistance in our recycling efforts.