

*MARR is a not-for-profit, membership-based and volunteer-governed organization that plays a unique and valuable role in helping Manitoba communities and their many partners implement effective and efficient waste reduction, reuse and recycling programs.*

*MARR members include individuals who are the "implementers" of recycling and waste reduction at the community level.*

*MARR provides a central place for information sharing and dialogue between communities and their peers.*

*MARR also provides an efficient and effective forum for government policy makers and PROs (industry stewardship program administrators) to interact and communicate with those who implement recycling and waste reduction activities at the community level.*

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## 2015 FORUM PROCEEDINGS NOW AVAILABLE

The 2015 MARR 2015 Community Recycling & Waste Reduction Forum was another tremendous success with over 120 registrants and a full display/trade show area.

This year the event was held during Waste Reduction Week. MARR members and other participants were treated to two days of learning and information sharing:

Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> included a morning session organized by the Manitoba Environmental Industries Association that focused on emerging issues and opportunities related to Construction, Renovation and Demolition (CRD) waste. This was followed by MARR's site tour of the RM of Rockwood regional waste/recycling facility. In total, over 70 MARR members and other registered participants attended the site tour.



Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> included a very full day of informative sessions, networking and trade show. The agenda was jam-packed with 18 different breakout sessions filled with informative presenters.



**You can find full proceedings of the Forum and all our presenter's slides at [www.marrmb.com](http://www.marrmb.com)**

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## What You Need to Know – Important News & Announcements for Manitoba's Community Recycling & Waste Reduction Sector

- **MARR Memberships are now available for municipalities, communities, recycling agents, businesses and organizations and individuals. We've also made changes to the MARR membership structure to make it more valuable to join.**
  - Your one membership now covers all your employees (municipal/community memberships also cover all your elected officials).
  - Annual membership is now valid for 12 full months from the date your application is received.
  - MARR members receive reduced ticket prices for all MARR events, including the Annual Forum.

**Join today! Application forms are available for download at <http://www.marrmb.com> or by contacting the MARR office.**

- It's that time of year again! With gift-giving season upon us it's a good time to remind ourselves that gift-giving doesn't have to be so wasteful. Take this opportunity to do a bit of community-based marketing to remind your residents, employees, etc. to consider the 3Rs:



**REDUCE** – You can find lots of good ideas for waste-free gifts on the Internet. Here's [a site with a few good suggestions](#). But even for all of those toys and gadgets you'll be giving, do you really need to wrap them in more layers of packaging and wrapping? Be creative and skip the unrecyclable wrapping paper.

**REUSE** – Reusing gently worn wrapping paper and gift bags is a no brainer but you should also remind and encourage your residents and employees to donate any gently used clothing, toys and gadgets that Santa has been kind enough to replace.

**RECYCLE** – Not all wrapping paper is recyclable but lots of the packaging, boxes and other stuff found on your floor once the gifts have been opened can be. Do the right thing, Santa's watching 😊

*MARR wishes you peace through the Christmas  
and Holiday season and all the very best for the  
new year!*

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