YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR..

# AMERICA RECYCLES DAY 2020

A "ZOOM-INAR" SERIES BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE ECO AMERICORPS MEMBERS OF THE LAMOILLE AND ADDISON SOLID WASTE DISTRICTS WITH SPECIALS GUESTS JOSH KELLY, RONDA MACE AND DECLAN STEFANSKI

## Monday, Nov. 16 2:00-3:00 PM Grades 6-12

"Recycling 101"- Josh Kelly, VT DEC, Waste Management and Prevention Division. Josh will discuss the importance of recycling as it applies to students of all ages, and debunk the myths of recycling as well.

Tuesday, Nov. 17 10 - 11AM Grades K-5, 1-2PM Grades 6-12 "Vermont's Act 148"- Lexi Chambers, LRSWMD ECO AmeriCorps, will discuss the history, purpose, and success of Act 148 in

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Wednesday, Nov.18 10-11AM Grades K-5, 1-2PM Grades 6-12
"Zero Waste"- Colin Clarq, ACSWMD ECO Americorps, will discuss what it means to live a "zero- waste" lifestyle, and

Thursday, Nov. 19 10-11AM Grades K-5, 1-2PM Grades 6-12 "Closing the loop with compost"- Lexi Chambers and Declan Stefanski, ReGreenVT, will discuss compost as nature's way of recycling organic waste, and how composting closes the food loop.

Friday, Nov. 20 1-2PM, All Age

"Materials Recovery Facilities- MRFS!"- Rhonda Mace, CSWD, will demystify Materials Recovery Facilities- AKA

the place where recyclables go after the bin!

#### **HOW TO REGISTER**

TO RECEIVE REGISTRATION INFORMATION EMAIL LEXI,

AMERICORPS@LRSWMD.ORG. YOU WILL BE ABLE TO CHOOSE ANY OR

ALL SESSIONS. PLEASE SHARE THIS OPPORTUNITY WITH OTHER EDUCATORS! WE LOOK FORWARD TO CELEBRATING WITH YOU AND



# Meet your speakers

#### **Lexi Chambers- ECO Americorps**

"Vermonts Act 148," "Closing the Loop with Compost"

Lexi is currently an ECO Americorps Member serving with the Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District. She is passionate about encouraging people to take responsibility for their waste, and educating them on the importance of proper waste management.

### Colin Clarq- ECO Americorps, "Zero- Waste"

An undergraduate with a degree in Anthropology, Colin is currently an ECO AmeriCorps member serving at the Addison County Solid Waste Management District in Middlebury. Colin has been reducing his waste stream through minimalist living for the past 3 years. His recent work in waste diversion has led him to take on a zero waste lifestyle in order to minimize his carbon footprint and impact on the environment.



"Recycling 101"

Josh Kelly works as the Materials Management Section Chief of the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. He works with a team of six other environmentalists to implement and manage Vermont's recycling, composting, product stewardship, and waste reduction initiatives.







#### **Rhonda Mace- CSWD**

"Material Recovery Facilities- MRFS!"

Rhonda has always found great peace in nature so teaching kiddos (big and small) all about Reducing, Reusing, and Recycling as an educator for Chittenden Solid Waste District, is a perfect fit. When she is not teaching, Recycle Rhonda loves to get her hands dirty in the garden then cook up a big feast using the veggies she grows. She is also well known for being a worm whisperer; she has been composting with worms for nearly a decade and can't say enough about worm power. "Dirty hands are happy hands" is her mantra



#### **Declan Stefanski- ReGreenVT**

"Closing the Loop with Compost"

Declan Stefanski has studied at NVU-Johnson, Florida International University, Odyssey Yoga-Colorado, and Karme Choling. In 2019, Declan founded ReGreenVT with the help of his father, Greg Stefanski. For Declan this business is about encouraging positive change in his community and the greater struggling world around him. A big fan of not only the practice, but the philosophy behind the art of composting, Declan hopes to help the world become

more familiar with this and other mindful agricultural practices.

