

# 2015 Sustainable Cleveland Awards



The City of Cleveland announced the winners of the 2015 Sustainable Cleveland Awards. Nominees were assessed in three main areas:

1. How projects from the last year have helped meet the goals of the Climate Action Plan
2. Social and community impact
3. Replicability

Winners were announced in the following categories; Individuals, Institutions & Government, Business, and Non-Profit.

“Pure Water Technology not only creates green jobs in Northeast Ohio, but also helps make organizations throughout the region meet their own sustainability goals. Their “Cleveland Go Green, Kick the Bottle” Project has two components:

1.Placement of bottleless drinking water systems to business and industry in the Cleveland area, replacing 5 gallon coolers and small bottles of water. Pure Water has installed over 4,000 bottleless water purifiers, eliminating the use of approximately 400,000 5-gallon jugs and 350,000 individual water bottles.

2.Large scale sponsorship of community events to eliminate plastic and waste, including EarthFest, Gay Games, Cleveland World Festival, 4 Miles 4 Water. Through these sponsorships, they eliminated the use of approximately 100,000 disposable water bottles.



Cleveland Chief of Sustainability Jenita McGowan (left) presents the 2015 Sustainable Cleveland Award to Pure Water Technology Accounting Manager, Heidi O’Neill (middle) and President, Thomas Skerl (right).



Pure Water Technology has placed thousands of bottleless purifiers commonly replacing 5 gallon plastic jugs and disposable consumer bottles.

