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Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone
City of Somerville
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Mayor Curtatone,

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to inform you that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) has awarded the City of Somerville a Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Municipal Grant. The City of Somerville will receive up to \$15,000 for Wheeled Recycling Carts, up to \$750 for Education Materials to publicize single stream recycling, up to \$600 for Food Waste Collection Containers and up to \$2,500 for Education Materials to publicize food waste collection.

The Sustainable Materials Recovery Program (SMRP) was created under 310 CMR 19.300-303 and the Green Communities Act, which directs a portion of the proceeds from the sale of Waste Energy Certificates to recycling programs approved by MassDEP. The first SMRP solicitation, issued April 12, 2010, offered funding to cities, towns and regional entities - as well as certain non-profit organizations that provide services to them - for recycling, composting, reuse and source reduction activities that will increase diversion of municipal solid waste and household hazardous waste from disposal. MassDEP received applications from 123 municipalities, regional groups and non-profits, totaling \$4.29 million in requested funds.

This grant is conditional upon meeting the milestones described in the Grant Checklist which has been mailed to the municipal recycling contact copied below. Should you have any questions in the meantime, please call Tina Klein at (617) 292-5704.

Thank you for your commitment to reducing waste and thereby contributing to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in the Commonwealth and beyond. Together our efforts will move us down the pathway to a zero waste future.

Very truly yours,

Laurie Burt
Commissioner

cc: Vithal Deshpande, Environmental Coordinator