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## Calloway European Automotive drives home a Green Business Partnership

Sarasota County has awarded its newest Green Business Partnership to Calloway European Automotive, Inc. The company, located at 6117N Clark Center Ave., Sarasota, specializes in the service and repair of high-performance European vehicles like BMW, Mercedes Benz, Audi and Volkswagon.

"My biggest goal is to build an environmentally friendly efficient building to run my business," said company owner Tom Calloway, who has been in business 18 years. "We want to incorporate a windmill and solar panels, along with high-tech building material."

Sarasota County Recycling Coordinator Tom Franklin says the company already has a strong philosophy of minimizing its environmental impact. "They've switched to a water-based parts cleaning solution and they aggressively recycle," said Franklin. "The owner leads by example, biking to work most days and monitoring his business complex for street litter and storm drain contamination."

The Green Business Partnership was initiated under a Florida Department of Environmental Protection grant and is open to all businesses in Sarasota County that implement required resource conservation measures and pass an on-site certification assessment. Each certified business receives a Green Business Partnership certificate and seal they can display to demonstrate their commitment to a healthy environment. They also receive an electronic logo that can be used on company stationary and promotional items.

Calloway European Automotive, Inc. is now listed in a Green Business Partnership directory that is available online at the Green Business Web site, [www.scgov.net/greenbusiness](http://www.scgov.net/greenbusiness).

The Green Business Partnership is actively seeking other participants. For more information, or to request a Green Business Partnership packet, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000 and ask to speak with the county's Recycling Coordinator.

For more information on the businesses currently certified under the program, visit [www.scgov.net/greenbusiness](http://www.scgov.net/greenbusiness) and click on the link entitled, "Participating Businesses."

**Media note:** A JPEG image of the Green Business Partnership logo is attached.

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