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## Four companies join Sarasota County's Green Business Partnership

Sarasota County's Green Business Partnership has added four new members to nearly 200 certified companies that are demonstrating their commitment to a healthy environment for employees and the community:

[Elite-Weiler Pools and Solar Services](#)

640 Apex Road  
Sarasota, FL 34240  
941-343-9001

These companies have used the Green Business Partnership program to energize their environmental program. They are using natural light instead of room lights, and have taken measures to reduce the amount of waste they generate by re-evaluating the materials necessary for installations.

[Tervis Tumbler](#)

201 Triple Diamond Blvd.  
North Venice, FL 34275  
941-441-3100

Tervis Tumbler has been manufacturing its signature, crystal-clear, insulated drinkware since 1946. It's sold in more than 6,000 outlets nationwide. This company's "green team" includes people representing everything from production to administration and sales. The team found areas of energy, water and waste reduction that wouldn't have been identified without a multi-functional group. Tervis has educated and motivated its staff to be aware of opportunities to reduce environmental impacts and has demonstrated the management support to act on those opportunities.

[Waste Services of Florida Inc.](#)

1325 North Osprey Avenue  
Sarasota, FL 34236-2643  
941- 953-6559

This multi-regional, integrated solid waste services company provides collection, transfer, landfill disposal and recycling services for commercial, industrial and residential customers in the United States and Canada. It serves an estimated 86,000 commercial and industrial customers and an estimated 7.2 million residential homes. It owns or operates seven landfills, 18 transfer stations, 12 recycling facilities and 33 collection companies.

Waste Services not only collects and processes thousands of pounds of recyclables from Sarasota County businesses, it also supports recycling by purchasing products made from recycled materials. The company's break area picnic table, benches and facility recycling and garbage bins are all made from recycled plastics. It has also increased employee environmental awareness by including environmental topics in its monthly staff meetings.

The Green Business Partnership 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.

These four businesses and organizations are now part of 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.

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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