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### **LCSWMA Releases Community Sustainability Report**

LANCASTER, Pa. —The Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) has released a report that documents the philosophy and actions behind its involvement in community sustainability for Lancaster County.

Over the years, LCSWMA expanded its reach beyond that of just managing the municipal solid waste for Lancaster County. Recognizing its connectivity to the local area, the organization embarked upon a journey of community sustainability, targeting five related goals:

- 1) Protect the environment by managing solid waste and recyclables in an environmentally safe, reliable and efficient manner;
- 2) Preserve local heritage by conserving open space, protecting native habitat and natural resources;
- 3) Increase renewable energy production and decrease energy consumption;
- 4) Explore and employ sustainable policies and technologies; and
- 5) Redefine boundaries through regionalization and community partnership.

“While our core mission has not wavered” says James Warner, CEO for LCSWMA, “our approach to fulfilling that mission has expanded. LCSWMA is committed to serving the community with excellence, while also investing our resources in sustainable initiatives for the betterment of the residents we serve every day.”

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Community sustainability is a continuous process of improvement and interconnectivity. It requires businesses and community leaders to collaborate and develop innovative solutions that enhance the economic, environmental and social health of its local area and residents. Lancaster County is joining other progressive communities around the world in this sustainability movement.

“After reading our report, the Authority hopes residents, organizations and businesses will be inspired to discover ways they too can help make Lancaster County a more sustainable place to live and work,” says Warner.

Those interested in reading LCSWMA’s Community Sustainability report can download a copy by visiting their website at [www.lcswma.org](http://www.lcswma.org).

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LCSWMA is recognized nationally for its leadership in the industry and innovative approach to waste management. Its Integrated System consists of: (1) a Transfer Station permitted to handle up to 2,200 tons per day; (2) a 1,200 tons per day mass burn Waste-to-Energy Facility for the combustion of waste and production of electricity; (3) the Frey Farm Landfill, permitted for the disposal of 2,000 tons of waste per day; (4) a County-wide recycling program; and (5) a drive-through Household Hazardous Waste Facility. LCSWMA’s mission is to manage solid waste and recyclable materials in an environmentally safe, reliable and efficient manner.