



# RecycleSmart

OCTOBER, 2015

## CAPS FOR BENCH PROGRAM

In November, 2014 RecycleSmart staff, Girl Scout Shore To Shore staff, and Mindy Walters from the East Bay Township Parks Board met to discuss a pilot program to obtain superior quality park benches through Green Tree Plastics, a company that manufactures benches from recycled plastic caps. The results? Three benches



Mindy along with her husband & children

were obtained for East Bay Township Parks. Mindy along with her husband and children took the lead role in this community project. By July 2015, Mindy, her family, volunteers from East Junior High, Courtade Elementary, East Bay Township staff, SOS Analytical Labs, Grand Traverse Container, other park board members, RecycleSmart staff and Grand County residents had collected enough plastic caps to obtain three (3) benches---**WOW!**



The Walters family actually made the trip to Green Tree Plastics to personally deliver the bottle caps and return with the plastic benches. Quite a day's trip considering Green Tree Plastics location is Evansville, Indiana. Mindy stated that "although the trip was long, they were estatic at the quality of the benches and were excited to return home with them. Perhaps there is a local business that travels to Evansville that could donate the transportation of the benches for future programs".

Beginning November 1, 2015 one of these benches will be displayed within the Public Service Building lobby, 2650 LaFrainier Road, Traverse City. Interested in learning more about the Caps For Bench Program? The Green Tree Plastics company website is [www.greentreeplastics.com](http://www.greentreeplastics.com) RecycleSmart Hotline 941.5555



## Brush Drop-Off Site

**\*Hours:** Tuesday, noon to 7 PM,  
Thursday and Saturday, 9-3 PM  
2471 N. Keystone Road

### Garfield, Long Lake, East Bay, and Acme Townships Offers Residents A No Charge Yard Waste Pass

*A valid I.D. is required to verify township residence status*

*The no charge yard waste pass is good for one trip and load not to exceed up to three (3) cubic yards of acceptable material.*

Garfield Twp.-----Tel: 941.1620  
Long Lake Twp.-----Tel: 946.2249

East Bay Twp.-----Tel: 947.8647  
Acme Twp.-----Tel: 938.1350



*\*(Weather permitting, the final day of the 2015 season is Saturday, November 21. Beginning November 3 the site will close at dusk on Tuesdays)*



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 2015**  
**9 AM TO 3 PM HOSTED AT AMERICAN WASTE, 280 HUGHES DRIVE, TRAVERSE CITY**  
Complete details can be found at: [www.CleanUpGreenUp.com](http://www.CleanUpGreenUp.com)

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