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LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The City of Lincoln and Lancaster County are seeking nominations for the 2011 Environmental Leadership Awards. These prestigious awards offer recognition to outstanding businesses, organizations, and individuals who have demonstrated environmental stewardship and dedication to sustaining and improving our environment and public health. This awards program is an excellent way to recognize their accomplishments, increase awareness of environmental issues, and encourage others to take action to better our environment.

The City of Lincoln and Lancaster County Environmental Leadership Awards are given in each of the following categories: Business and Industry, Community or Nonprofit Organization, Government, Agriculture, Education (*educating the public or providing education in schools/colleges*), and Individual Citizen.

To be eligible for an award, nominees must have been instrumental in identifying, reducing, or solving an environmental problem and/or promoting public awareness and active concern for the enhancement and protection of the environment. Additionally, nominees must demonstrate one or more environmental practices in the areas of: pollution prevention/risk reduction, waste reduction and recycling, water conservation, soil conservation, energy conservation, cleanup and beautification, residential and commercial development, or other environmental practices.

Nominations may be submitted online: www.lincoln.ne.gov (Keyword: Awards). Nomination deadline is **April 6, 2011**. Although submitting the nomination electronically is preferred, hard copies of the nomination form are available by calling 402-441-4602 or 402-441-7043. The awards ceremony and breakfast will be on Friday, June 3, 2011, from 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. at the Nebraska Champions Club across from Memorial Stadium on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Campus.
