

To whom it may concern:

My name is Dan Strey and I am the Central Stores Manager in charge of the main hub of shipping and receiving at UW Oshkosh. In my role, I see a large amount of plastic wrap that many businesses and individuals may choose to landfill. At UW Oshkosh, we have taken a different approach.

The plastic film recycling program at UW Oshkosh was initiated by two employees of the Office of Sustainability, Emily Husar Martin, a student intern, and Brad Spanbauer, an LTE employee serving as an assistant to the Director.

The program started in January 2015 as a way to increase campus recycling to capture material that was in abundance on campus, but was not accepted through our current waste handler.

Brad and Emily collect the material on an "as needed" basis from different areas of receiving on campus and take the plastic film to a local grocery store which is contracted as a designated drop-off location through the company, Trex.

This is an innovative program because the material is currently not accepted by our contracted waste handler and is also not accepted at the main county recycling facility. The program goes beyond our "status quo" recycling efforts to increase the amount of material recycled by UW Oshkosh and help reduce the campus' impact on the environment.

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