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Eleven Lima Businesses Named *Stormwater Superstars*

Eleven Lima businesses and organizations are being honored as 2019 Stormwater Superstars. This distinction recognizes a variety of efforts and practices from the individual businesses that each have an impact on stormwater runoff and ultimately a clean and healthy Ottawa River. The following are being honored in this second annual local showcase:

- Buffalo Wild Wings** temporarily detaining and managing stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces, with good maintenance and function.
- Dominion Energy** managed a large construction site with best practices for erosion and sediment control, and using green space to manage runoff.
- The Hollander on Main** operates an impressive green patio and water reuse system, featuring permeable pavers and a vertical garden.
- International Tank Service** exceptional waste management techniques, litter cleanup and drainage protection, and green space enhancement.
- The Children's Garden** the Master Gardeners emphasize the use of native plants and water conservation practices within this unique space.
- Earth Day Festival** Rae Neal is being honored for rallying the support of local businesses into an engaging event promoting environmental care.
- Ottawa River Cleanup** LACNIP organizes this annual streamside litter cleanup event as a commitment to an important community resource.
- Kiwanis Club of Lima** sponsors youth community service through K-Kids Clubs, three of which are dedicated to Adopt-A-Roadway cleanup projects.
- Freedom Elementary K-Kids Club** has been dedicated to an Adopt-A-Roadway litter cleanup project in the neighborhood around the school.
- Heritage Elementary K-Kids Club** has been dedicated to an Adopt-A-Roadway litter cleanup project in the neighborhood around the school.
- Unity Elementary K-Kids Club** has been dedicated to an Adopt-A-Roadway litter cleanup project in the neighborhood around the school.

The *Stormwater Superstar* recognition is a joint project between the City of Lima Stormwater Department and Allen Soil and Water Conservation District and is designed to be an annual showcase. To date, 28 local businesses and organizations have been honored. The Allen SWCD website at allenswcd.com gives more information on the 2019 Stormwater Superstars and their showcase best practices.

Understanding how your business or organization measures up simply begins with a conversation that centers around landscape and waste management practices. For more information on how your business can be recognized as a Stormwater Superstar contact Casey Heilman at 419-223-0040 x110 or casey@allenswcd.com.

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