

## FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

<b>TO:</b> BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	<b>Reviewed:</b>
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**ITEM: Discuss the 2009 County Government Week, "Greening Our Future."**

Background: 2009 National County Government Week (NCGW) will be recognized May 3<sup>rd</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>. Counties are encouraged to promote NCGW with a series of events, promotions, and community awareness. This year's theme for NCGW is "Greening Our Future."

Recommended Action: Discuss Franklin County's promotion of National County Government Week, May 3-9, 2009.

Attachments: Promotion Ideas

## NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK PROMOTION IDEAS

1. 2008 Employee Services Awards during Monday morning Commission Meeting.
2. Employee Appreciation - bring donuts, cookies, juice, etc. to county offices in the AM (Jail/Court Building, Courthouse Lounge, Ambulance Station, Annex Administration Office, PW Shop).
3. Community Recycling Day – have specified drop off locations for recycling and encourage local residents and businesses to recycle throughout the week.
4. Coloring Contest – Have a coloring contest for the local elementary schools to be displayed in Courthouse or Annex Building Hallways.
5. Essay Contest – Have an essay contest for local Middle School students, “How Can I Help Make My Community a Greener Place?” or “How Does Recycling Affect My Community?” (500 word maximum)
6. Keep Your Community Clean Day – Encourage citizens to take the time in keeping their communities, blocks, roads free of litter and debris.
7. Conservation Day – Encourage citizens to conserve water and energy. Turn the water off when brushing your teeth, don't water your yard, turn lights off when you're not in a room, etc.
8. Have the Ottawa Herald run a special article on the Recycling Center – outlining the good of the center and its statistics.
9. Give tours of the Recycling Center.
10. Official for the Day – Have High School students submit essays on “Why They'd Like to be County Commissioner, Clerk, Treasurer, Sheriff, Register of Deeds, Attorney, Administrator, etc.”