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Cal Poly Recognized for Reducing Waste, Protecting Environment

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Cal Poly's Campus Dining department was recognized for outstanding efforts to reduce waste and protect the environment in the 2001 Waste Reduction Awards Program (WRAP).

The award is sponsored by the California Integrated Waste Management Board, the state's primary recycling agency and part of the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Now in its ninth year, the WRAP awards recognize businesses for cutting the amount of trash they produce, conserving resources and reducing waste disposal in landfills. A record number of businesses applied for and received the award this year -- nearly 2,350 statewide were named winners.

The WRAP awards recognize companies that develop creative and aggressive programs to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfills and are based on a set of criteria developed in cooperation with the business community. Practices evaluated include waste prevention, materials reuse, recycling, recycled-product procurement and employee education.

For more information about Campus Dining's waste reduction efforts, call Alan Cushman, associate director, at 756-1175.

For a list of winners by county, visit the waste board's Web site at www.ciwmb.ca.gov/WRAP/.

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