



STP Connection

Sustainable Twin Ports is dedicated to furthering economic, environmental and social sustainability in the Twin Ports and western Lake Superior region through education, networking and action.

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happenings

Sustainable Twin Ports is proud to announce that we are a new member of the Duluth Area Chamber of Commerce. We look forward to the opportunities the Chamber represents and the people and businesses we will have the opportunity to network with and share our message.

involve

If your business is interested in becoming a 2013 Early Adopter, or you wish to become involved in another way, contact us to find out how you can help make a difference.

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Welcome Class of 2012



Sustainable Twin Ports is proud to welcome the 2012 Early Adopter class - The City of Duluth, Fond du Lac Ojibwe School and The Lake Superior Zoological Society.



Over the course of the next five months these three organizations will receive comprehensive and strategic training in sustainability and will create their own course of action to achieve their goals. This is the beginning of a very important process that these organizations have committed to. Training has already begun and the excitement is building over their work new sustainable visions.



Over twenty organizations have completed this training and are on their way to making their businesses more sustainable following The Natural Step framework. If you would like more information on other training opportunities or how your organization can sign up for the 2013 cohort, visit the Sustainable Twin Ports website.

Sustainable Twin Ports Receives Touchstone Award



Members of the STP Board and Staff receive the Touchstone Award

Sustainable Twin Ports received the 2011 Touchstone Award for Civic Engagement from the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation.

The Touchstone Award honors nonprofit programs and projects that exemplify leadership in fostering the values of generosity, civic engagement and inclusiveness. STP received the award for efforts in promoting sustainability throughout the Northland through our Early Adopter Project. The award was announced at a celebration and awards luncheon at the DECC on October 18th, 2011.

Funds received from this award, along with other donations and grants allow STP to continue education and training work with local businesses and help support sustainable actions in the community.

Thank you to the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation and all of the nominees for your important work in the community! Sustainable Twin Ports is honored to have earned this award and will continue to work hard for the community.

For more information on the Touchstone nominees or the Duluth Superior Community Foundation, visit: www.dsacommunityfoundation.com

Clyde Iron hosts 2011 Public Showcase



The 2011 Public Showcase was held at Clyde Iron last fall and was a success! Highlighted were the 2011 Early Adopters; The Boys and Girls Club of the Northland, Clyde Iron Works Restaurant, Common Ground Construction, Duluth Children's Museum, Duluth Heritage Sports Center,



Duluth Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Ecolibrium3, and Spirit Mountain Recreation Area. The public showcase also displays the vision plans for all past participating organizations as well. It's a great opportunity for our community to see who's taken the training and what their sustainability goals are.

Keynote speakers were Tracy Meisterheim of Blue Heron Sustainability Associates, David Taylor of Duluth Public Schools and Gretchen Ransom of Spirit Mountain Recreation Area.

Thank you to all who attended and to the 2011 Early Adopters for all of your efforts in sustainability!