

First Eagle Bank Recognized for Green Efforts

First Eagle Bank has recently received 2 environmental awards. The Village of Hanover Park Environmental Excellence Award was presented to the bank at the 2012 Awards Reception in January. On February 29th, First Eagle Bank was awarded the Earth Flag from SCARCE.

First Eagle Bank's Green Committee was formed in 2009. The initial focus of the Green Committee was keeping the bank's employees "green" through the 3-R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. That effort resulted in reducing the bank's volume of trash by 50%, thereby reducing the scheduled trash pick up from twice per week to once per week. At the same time, the bank doubled its recycling capacity. The employees recycle batteries, toner, ink cartridges and light bulbs. Weekly Earth Alert! messages are sent bank-wide with tips and reminders on saving our environment.

For the past year the bank has been working closely with SCARCE (School and Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education) and the Village of Hanover Park to expand its green efforts out into the community. A "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" poster contest for local schools was sponsored by the bank in conjunction with the Village of Hanover Park and with the support of SCARCE, that had 89 students participate. First Eagle Bank held a community wide free shred day at both its DuPage and West Loop Locations, resulting in recycling $\frac{3}{4}$ ton of paper, saving 13 trees, 4 barrels of oil and 5,520 gallons of water. This shred day also saved 225 cubic feet of space in the land fill.

In continuing to reach out to the community with environmental efforts, the bank invites you to stop in to receive a free reusable shopping bag!