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Subject: **Centerville-Washington Park District Earns Green and Blue Business Certifications**

CENTERVILLE, OH: The Centerville-Washington Park District has received the Montgomery County Dayton Regional Green 3's Green Business Certification, a voluntary program designed to help businesses take basic green measures to reduce their ecological footprint, reduce their energy and resource use and save money in the process. In addition, the Park District showed exemplary water stewardship and qualified for the Water Stewardship Blue Certification.

A wide range of criteria was met to gain the certifications, including meeting standards in waste reduction, recycling, environmentally preferable purchasing, water and energy conservation, and pollution prevention.

"Being green is not just something we do at the Park District; it is something we teach others to do. We feel it is important to be role models in our community as we all work toward a sustainable future," said Katy Malcolm, Centerville-Washington Park District Naturalist and head of the Eco-Crew, the green initiatives group made up of Park District staff.

The Centerville-Washington Park District operates eight community parks, eight nature parks, and 33 neighborhood parks in Centerville and Washington Township. For more information about the Centerville-Washington Park District, please call (937) 433-5155 or visit www.cwpd.org.