The Virginia Waste Industries Association (VWIA) represents National Waste & Recycling Association member companies conducting business in Virginia. Members include owners and operators of commercial waste collection, recycling, and disposal facilities, providers of consulting and financial services to the industry and manufacturers or distributors of equipment for use within the industry.

**VWIA Mission**

Our mission is to promote the management of waste in an environmentally responsible, efficient, profitable and ethical manner that benefits the public and protects our employees. VWIA is committed to promoting the use of technology and innovation in meeting the industry’s need to protect human health and environmental safety.

**VWIA Goals**

- **ASSIST** members in understanding and responding to complex and rapidly changing legislative and regulatory requirements that affect their business through advocacy and information sharing.
- **ENSURE** an organizational structure in which members can meet freely to discuss ideas, issues, and industry trends.
- **PROVIDE** opportunities for members to network with potential customers and business partners through conferences, shows, member meetings and coalitions with other state and local groups.
- **PROMOTE** public understanding of the vital role that member companies play in ensuring environmental protection.
- **ENHANCE** members’ image with their customers, state and local government entities and the public.
**VWIA Advocacy Services**

- Professional lobbyist representation before legislative bodies.
- Organization of task force groups to work with local municipalities and communities to address industry impact areas affecting member companies.
- Providing expert commentary to legislative bodies and regulatory agencies on business and technical issues that affect the waste industry and its member companies.
- VWIA sponsors and participates in conferences and educational events along with other regulatory, municipal and public interest stakeholder groups that share a common interest in waste industry issues.

**Membership, Meetings and Activities**

By joining the National Waste & Recycling Association, those companies operating or providing services in Virginia are automatically members of VWIA. The Virginia Chapter is one of the oldest affiliates of NWRA and has long been an active voice for its members.

Our Chapter meets regularly four times per year and supports itself through voluntary contributions and proceeds from our two fundraising events. The Annual Summer Golf Event in Williamsburg is one the most popular in the country and regularly brings together industry leaders, suppliers and sponsors for golf and fellowship.

Membership in the National Waste & Recycling Association comes with many benefits. For more information and to join, please visit the link below:

wasterecycling.org

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