

# Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Recycling Education and Outreach Grant Program Fact Sheet

## EdVenture

### Selected Grant Recipient

**Name:** EdVenture, Inc.

**Project Location:** Columbia, SC; Hartsville, SC;  
Myrtle Beach, SC

**Project Title:** EdVenture's Recycled Dinosaur Exhibit  
and Learning Center

### Highlights

- Benefits 60,000 underfunded families annually.
- Educates families about better recycling habits using an engaging exhibit on dinosaurs.

### EPA Information

**Region:** EPA Region 4

### Grant Funding: \$1,746,339

EdVenture will create exhibits and learning centers in three locations in South Carolina. The learning centers will feature dinosaurs made from recycled and repurposed materials, with a storyline and messaging to educate families and children about better recycling habits. EdVenture will prioritize disadvantaged communities by providing reduced or free entry for families that receive SNAP, WIC or Medicaid benefits. The project's advisory committee will include residents from disadvantaged communities.

### REO Grants

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. REO grant funding can be used to inform the public about residential or community recycling programs, provide information about the recycled materials that are accepted as part of a residential or community recycling program, and increase collection rates and decrease contamination in residential and community recycling programs. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved and overburdened by pollution. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law also requires that 20% of the grant funding go to communities that are low-income, rural or Native American.

EPA will make the award to EdVenture, Inc., once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

### Other Recycling Grant Funding in South Carolina

[South Carolina SWIFR State Grant Fact Sheet](#)

