The University of Akron will receive 75 waste-watcher recycling bins; a $6,360.00 value.

The University of Akron (UA) is one of 35 colleges and universities that are receiving a portion of more than 11,500 recycling bins from the Alcoa Foundation and its partners Keep America Beautiful and the College & University Recycling Coalition.

The Alcoa Foundation Recycling Bin Grant Program is an effort to help schools boost their recycling results during the eight-week RecycleMania Tournament, and expand their recycling efforts throughout the year. RecycleMania is a friendly competition that aims to change behavior about recycling and raise awareness about waste reduction programs on college campuses.

The University of Akron joined the RecycleMania competition in 2011. Each year, members of UA’s Recycling Department, a division of Physical Facilities, eagerly anticipates the start of RecycleMania and the chance to compete against several hundred other universities across the country and neighboring Canada.

This is the second consecutive year that The University of Akron has been awarded recycling bins through Alcoa’s Grant Program. In 2012, UA received 90 recycling bins, valued at nearly $11,000, from the Alcoa Foundation and its partners. Physical Facilities reports that the awarded bins have captured in excess of 6 tons since their arrival.

For more information regarding Alcoa’s Bin Grant Program or The University of Akron’s Recycling Department contact Andrew Henry Recycling Superintendent at (330) 972-6019 or visit http://www.uakron.edu/pfo/recycling.dot.