



Blue Star Recyclers President Bill Morris cuts the ribbon while partners Mary and Tony Fagnant, and managers Arnie Navarro and Andy O'Riley look on.

Blue Star Recyclers Officially Launched with Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting

Blue Star Recyclers has been operating in Colorado Springs for several months. However, it celebrated its grand opening with a Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting ceremony on April 6. Blue Star also hosted three Open Houses for local businesses and nonprofits throughout Southern Colorado. During those three sessions over 150 people heard how Blue Star Recyclers makes it easy for small to medium businesses to go green by recycling old electronics. Blue Star Recyclers offers free route-based pickup service to Colorado Springs businesses to clear out whatever electronics need recycling. Many of those attending the Open House were surprised to learn that e-waste is a global toxic problem that is growing exponentially. By recycling e-waste with Blue Star Recyclers, businesses help the global environment and create local jobs.

Blue Star Recyclers does not simply recycle electronics but their mission is to create jobs in Colorado Springs. They formed a strategic partnership with

Community Intersections, a nonprofit organization that provides training and job placement for disabled adults. 8 people are currently working in a special program at Blue Star Recyclers to disassemble and sort the electronics brought in for recycling. Some of these workers will transition from the work/training program to full time employment.

Bill Morris is President of Blue Star Recyclers and he partnered with Tony and Mary Fagnant, who are long-time business owners in Colorado Springs. Andy O'Riley, Director of Materials Processing brings years of experience with Community Intersections to the role of managing the disassembly process. Arnie Navarro, is Operations Manager for Blue Star and he will be establishing the recycling pickup route through the Colorado Springs business community.

For more information about Blue Star Recyclers, call 719.597.6119, visit their website at www.bluestarrecyclers.com or email.