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The City of Tshwane commemorated World Environment Day on 6 June 2014. The City's environmental focus for 2014 is the minimisation of waste by separating it at its source, and promoting the recycling of waste. L

Leading up to the World Environment Day event, two workshops were held in Atteridgeville to raise awareness of waste separation at its source, linking community recycling groups with recycling companies, and highlighting opportunities that are available in the recycling sector. On 6 June 2014, the Environmental Management Services department gave awards to community environmental groups and schools that have implemented sustainable environmental projects

World Environment Day is commemorated on 05 June every year. It was established by the United Nations General Assembly (UN) in 1972, on the day that the UN Conference on the human environment began. The first World Environment Day was celebrated in 1973. Since then different cities have hosted it every year, with each event having a different theme.

The day has become one of the United Nations' primary ways to raise global awareness of environmental issues, and to stimulate political attention, public action, and personal commitment to preserving the environment. In its theme for 2014, World Environment Day focused on Small Islands Development States (SIDS). The theme was "Raise your voice, not the sea level"; intended to shine the spotlight on Small Islands and their unique development challenges and successes

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