



# Township of Bernards

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## **Bernards Township Names Winners of 2021 Reusable Bag Design Challenge**

The Bernards Township Environmental Commission is pleased to announce the winners of the 2021 reusable Bag Design Challenge: Gwynivere Elefante Evelyn McGoldrick, Mariabella Milelli, and João Pedro Yoshimoto. Township Administrator Pat Monaco commented, "On behalf of Mayor Fields and the Township Committee we are pleased to support every green initiative especially one that encourages our children to recycle. Congratulations to the winners and all of the other contest participants." The students' designs, which incorporate the themes of Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, will decorate limited edition reusable grocery totes that will be available, free of charge, to Bernards Township residents, one per family until supplies run out. Joan Harris, Township Committee Liaison to the Environmental Commission, added: "We are excited so many students participated in this initiative by the Environmental Commission to encourage township residents to use fewer plastic bags to reduce their harmful environmental impacts. I congratulate all four students on their winning designs and thank all the participants in the design challenge!"

The totes will be available on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane; Parks & Recreation office or Tax Collectors office.

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