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## NEWS RELEASE

### **Cope Environmental Center named Non-Profit of the Year!**

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CENTERVILLE, IN- The Richmond-Wayne County Chamber of Commerce each year selects businesses and individuals to receive awards for outstanding services to the Wayne County community. At the annual awards dinner on January 21<sup>st</sup>, held at the Kuhlman Center, awards were given to these community leaders. Cope Environmental Center (CEC) shared the prestigious Achievement of Excellence - Non-Profit Award with the Wernle Children's Home ([www.wernle.org](http://www.wernle.org)).

*"It's a tremendous honor", says Lina Gordy, Cope Environmental Center's Executive Director, "receiving this award truly demonstrates the support we have from our community".*

As a local not-for-profit, CEC relies on the generosity of the community. The positive publicity brought on by the award is an enormous benefit to the organization.

*"We are grateful to the Chamber for choosing Cope Center for this award", says CEC's Development Director Alison Zajdel. "Wernle provides an incredibly important service to our community, and we are pleased to share this award with them", says Alison.*

To learn about the Richmond-Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, visit [www.rwchamber.org](http://www.rwchamber.org).

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