



## UNIFI®, Makers of REPREVE®, Announces Eighth Annual Champions of Sustainability Award Winners

April 3, 2025

*Global brand, retail, and textile partners, including NIKE and Target, receive honors for their sustainability efforts and growing adoption of textile-to-textile recycling*

GREENSBORO, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 3, 2025-- [UNIFI Inc.](#) (NYSE: [UFI](#)), the makers of REPREVE® and one of the world's leading innovators in recycled and synthetic yarns, celebrates leading brands who helped contribute to recycling over 42 billion plastic bottles and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by avoiding 1.3 billion kilograms of carbon dioxide equivalents.

The eighth annual REPREVE Champions of Sustainability awards recognize brands driving sustainability including New Balance, Free Country, Swannies, and Walmart. For the first time, the awards honor advancements in textile-to-textile recycling, including pioneers Marmot and Faherty for their contributions to circularity.

Key award winners include:

- **Billion Bottle Award: Nike, Target, Walmart, Polartec, Texhong** - Each recycling 1 billion+ bottles
- **Newcomer Award: Free Country, Swannies** for surpassing 10 million bottles recycled
- **Made in the USA Award: New Balance, Signet Mills** for their commitment to crafting items with REPREVE in the USA
- **Sustainable Fabric Innovation: Culp** for REPREVE mattress ticking
- **Commitment to Circularity: Marmot** for its consistent work in incorporating sustainable technology in high performance apparel
- **Sustainable Packaging: Malibu C** for using REPREVE Our Ocean® resin
- **REPREVE Takeback™ Early Adopter: Faherty** for using 50% fabric waste-based REPREVE polyester

"At UNIFI, our aim is to mainstream the use of sustainable and circular solutions. And this means collaboration across industries, supply chains, R&D, and technology," said Eddie Ingle, CEO of UNIFI. "The 2025 REPREVE Champions of Sustainability are setting new standards in environmental responsibility, driving meaningful change, and adopting new solutions to enact greater impact. We celebrate our partners' leadership and look forward to advancing sustainability together."

UNIFI's FiberPrint® tracer technology and life cycle assessment (LCA) data verify the impact of REPREVE adoption. The contribution of REPREVE Champions of Sustainability has reduced fossil fuel depletion by 41.4 billion megajoules (MJ) equivalent and freshwater consumption by 6.5 billion gallons as compared to using virgin polyester.

For the full list of honorees, visit [www.repreve.com/champions-of-sustainability](http://www.repreve.com/champions-of-sustainability).

*\*The REPREVE savings data is based on an expansive, peer reviewed LCA completed in 2023 focusing on multiple natural UNIFI products and supply chains. UNIFI's 2023 LCA was independently produced based on ISO 14040 and 14044 and third party reviewed according to ISO 14044 following ISO 14071.*

### About UNIFI, Inc.

UNIFI, Inc. (NYSE: UFI) is a global leader in fiber science and sustainable synthetic textiles. Using proprietary recycling technology, UNIFI is a pioneer in scaling the transformation of post-industrial and post-consumer waste into sustainable products. Through REPREVE®, the world's leading brand of traceable, recycled fiber and resin, UNIFI is changing the way industries think about the materials they use – and reuse. A vertically-integrated manufacturer, the company has direct operations in the United States, Colombia, El Salvador, and Brazil and sales offices all over the world. UNIFI envisions a future where circular and sustainable solutions are the only choice. For more information about UNIFI, visit [www.unifi.com](http://www.unifi.com).

### About REPREVE®

Made by UNIFI, Inc. (NYSE: UFI), REPREVE® is the global leader in recycled performance fibers and resins. Using proprietary recycling technology, REPREVE leverages multiple waste sources, including single-use plastic bottles, ocean-bound plastic, textile waste, and recycled yarn. REPREVE has transformed more than 40 billion plastic bottles into recycled fiber, powering globally scalable products for world-leading brands. Made traceable with FiberPrint® technology and certified by U-Trust®, REPREVE spans sports apparel, fashion, home, automotive, construction, transport, military, medical and packaged goods. For more information about REPREVE, visit [www.repreve.com](http://www.repreve.com).

View source version on [businesswire.com](https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20250403092239/en/): <https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20250403092239/en/>

### Media Contact:

Factory PR  
[repreve@factorypr.com](mailto:repreve@factorypr.com)

Source: UNIFI, Inc.