

Waste Assessment of County Facilities County of Alameda

Project Description

As a Compost & Recycling Associate, I assist in overseeing waste and recycling service for 63 facilities. To gain a better understanding of current waste operations, I conducted a series of walkthroughs at 10 County buildings and interviewed 50 building contacts.

Identifying Target Facilities

- Flagged facilities that had recent overage notices or hadn't been visited in a while
- Included facilities from each of the seven janitorial zones
- Shared list with the Janitorial Services Manager and incorporated her feedback

Interviews and Walkthroughs

- Visited 10 sites and spoke with janitorial supervisor and building employees to identify improvements to waste procedures
- Cultivated relationships with janitorial staff and building employees to increase investment in waste programs

Sign Updates and Bin Orders

 Added new signage and provided color-coordinated indoor bins to assist with sorting

Trainings and Refreshes

• Selected three sites for comprehensive infrastructure updates and employee trainings

Progress

Waste Assessment Report

 Prepared a report on findings and recommendations from interviews and site visits

Recycling Training

Trained approximately 50
 County employees on waste sorting

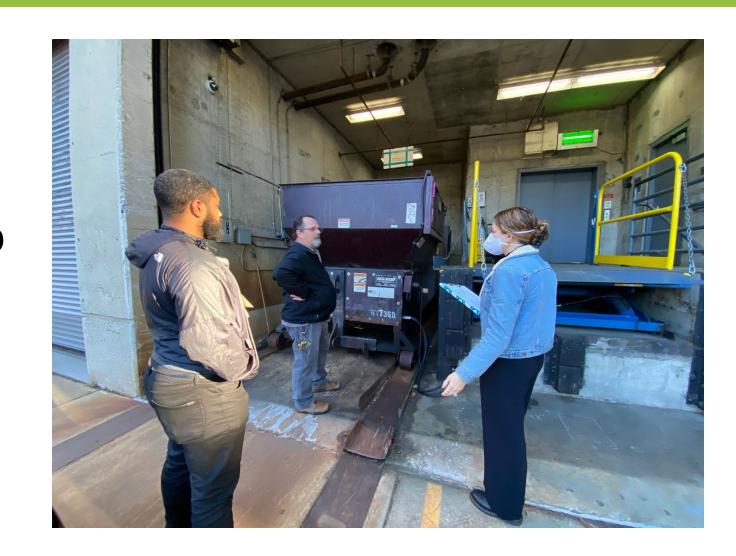


Before

After

Next Steps

- Lead more recycling trainings to enhance waste sorting
- Create an interactive training video to help new County employees with sorting
- Update the report with an addendum of completed recommendations and suggested next steps for future fellow





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