

Love Food Not Waste

San Luis Obispo County's Food Scrap Collection Program





San Luis Obispo ?

- Location – Along the Central Coast of California
- Population – 280,000





San Luis Obispo County IWMA

- JPA formed in 1994 to meet the requirements of AB 939
- Includes 7 cities, 8 Special Districts and the County
- We report to 13 elected board members
- April 2016 – Commercial
- August 2016 – Residential





Three Prong Approach



- Food Recovery
- Pig Farmers
- Food Scrap Collection



Recovery – Food Bank





Diversion - Pig Farmers



Food Scrap Collection Homes/Businesses





To Increase Diversion and AB 1826



Date	Generation	Material
Apr 2016	8 cy	Organics
Jan 2016	4 cy	Organics
Jan 2019	4 cy	Solid Waste



Residential Program

August 2016

- 53,000 delivered
- Instructions inside
- Outreach

Counter Top Container



Commercial Program

- Started April 2016
- 64 gallon green containers
- Currently 56 commercial accounts.



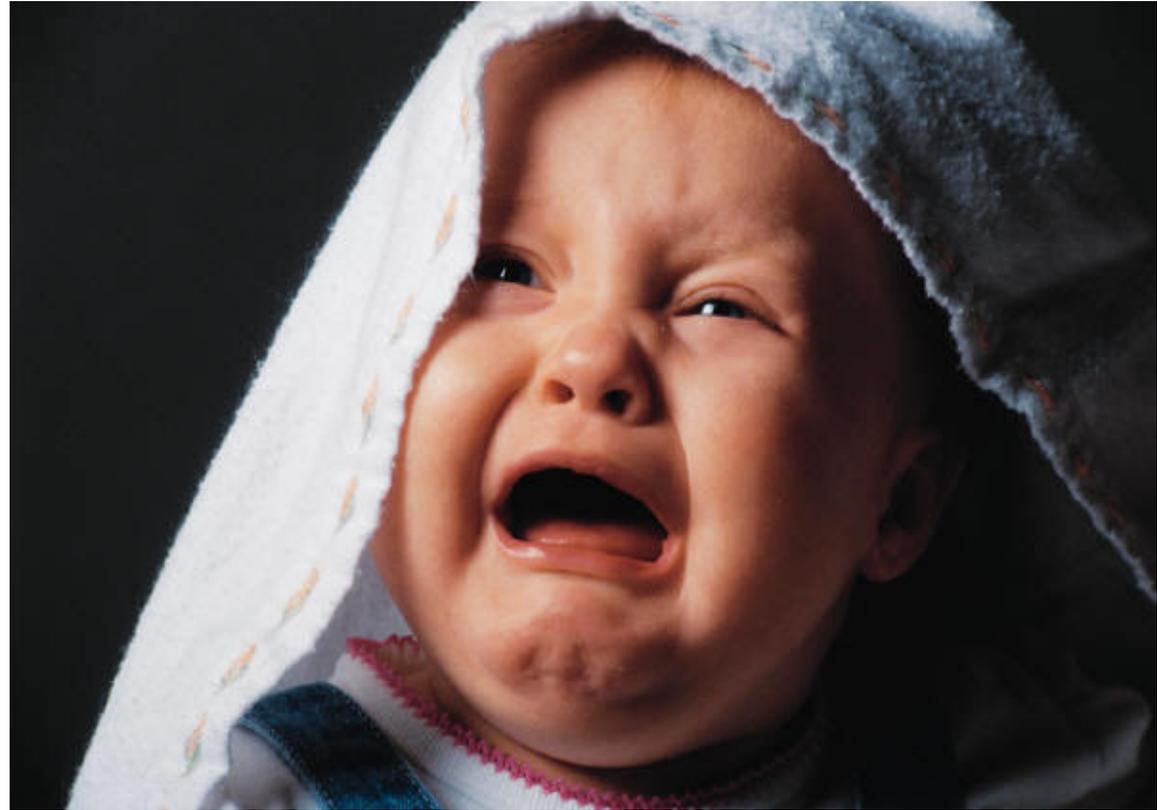


Transitioning



Challenges

- No compostable bags
- No compostable products
- No paper products





The Ick Factor





What will the neighbors think?





Fear...





Initial Set-Up

- Purchased software
- Hired two recycling staff
- Trained staff to do site visits





Dispatch



Recycling Team



Driver



Client













Written Load Description

- Photo Description- material delivered 10/24/2016
- Photos 1 and 2 - The material as it was off loaded from the delivery truck. Although the load appeared to be mostly free of contamination, you can see some contamination in the form of plastic bags. A glass bottle on the left side of the pile is visible in photo 1.
- Photo 3 -The organic material after it was spread out and sorted.
- Photos 4 and 5- The non-compostable material that was removed from the load.
- Photo 6 -Three glass bottles were discovered in the load.
- Photo 7 -About 2.5 cubic feet of non-compostable material was removed from the load, shown here in a 32 gallon container.

Pictures Help Shift Managers Priorities





Heavy Contamination



Hall of Shame – The Power of Photos



- Instant feedback
- Post by time clock
- Staff sees progress or....?

Post photos by the time clock



- Pictures have impact
- Show progression
- Show problems



Cost Breakdown – Commercial Program

- Program Administration and Staffing \$ 160,000
- Containers – Green Slim Jims \$10,000
- Mileage, Supplies, etc... \$17,000





For Further Program Information



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