

Joint Environmental Task Force Solid Waste and Recycling Recommendations

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JET Recommendations

Zero Waste government and schools by 2030

- Sub-Recommendations
 - 1. Zero Waste Plan due June 30, 2021
 - 2. Waste Audits
 - 3. Sustainable Purchasing
 - 4. Composting
 - 5. Schools (Engagement)







Zero Waste Planning Team

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Zero Waste Implementation

All County and FCPS operations

Staff's Zero Waste Vision

A "whole-system" approach to minimize waste to close to nothing.

Reduce

Reach Out

Reuse

Recover

1. Zero Waste Plan

- Goal: Create a roadmap for achieving Zero Waste by 2030
- Scope: government & school operations
- Consultant
- Strategies:
 - Engage individuals
 - Identify most impactful actions
 - Plan tiered implementation
- Cost

2. Waste Audits

- Site visits
- Comparative research
- Employee survey



3. Sustainable Purchasing

Policies

Special projects

 Supply Chain Corporate Social Responsibility program



4. Composting

- Expand opportunities for on-site composting
- Offer commercial composting at county and school facilities
 - Will require cultural and operational overhaul





5. Engagement (Schools & County)

- Education campaign
- Partnerships to support/ expand engagement
- Innovative programs



Timeline for Zero Waste Plan



Challenges & Opportunities

- Challenges
 - COVID-19: safety concerns, benchmarking challenges
 - Short- and long-term costs
 - Staffing needs
 - Many stakeholders, large operations

- Opportunities
 - Restart and rebuild better and greener
 - Make it easy to do the right thing
 - Leadership among peer governments and community!



Questions?

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