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## City of Gonzales/Tri-Cities Disposal & Recycling Summer Reuse, Recycle & Cleanup Weekend #1 Report

On June 22 & 23, 2019 the City of Gonzales held its annual summer two-day community cleanup event at Fairview Middle School. The flow of traffic by participants was steady on both days. Fairview Middle School continues to be an ideal location to maintain a safe and visible community event.



The event was advertised through the KICK Kiosk broadcast and e-mail network, Facebook, community-wide mailers to residential utility customers, and vinyl outdoor banners placed in highly visible locations within the community.

The community continues to take advantage of the free landfill vouchers for disposal of refrigerators and freezers at the Johnson Canyon Landfill. Volunteers benefit from being able to direct participants to the landfill for disposal of large and bulky items such as mattresses and appliances. Rather than unload into dumpsters, residents can easily push these items off into collection piles at the landfill.

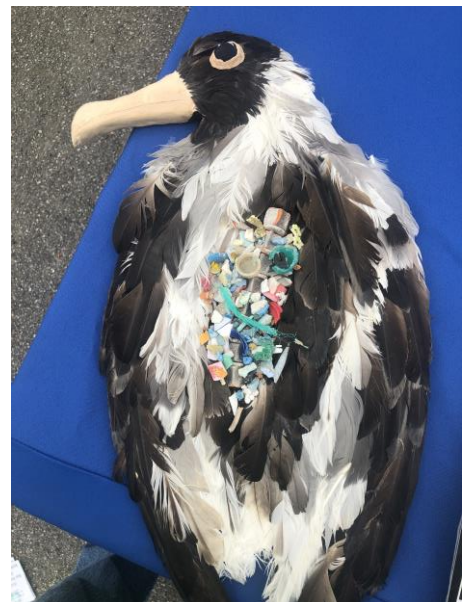
The event continues to focus on preventing illegal dumping and helping residents “clear the clutter.” It encourages source separation, recycling, and proper disposal of refrigerators, freezers, mattresses, scrap metal, rigid plastics, cardboard, televisions, computers, electronic waste, and metal appliances.

The free “Take it or Leave it” area continues to be a big hit with the community. Many usable items are diverted from the trash dumpster for reuse at a new home. The event continues to accept clothing donations for the clothing closet hosted at the nearby Community Presbyterian Church. Additional household goods, blankets, and towels are transported by staff to the Goodwill in Salinas and South County Animal Rescue in Soledad. These partnerships are key to the diversion of still-usable items.



On Saturday, residents were offered free and safe disposal of ABOP (Antifreeze, Batteries, Oil, and Paint) materials and sharps containers. The ABOP truck was full to capacity before the end of the event on Saturday. Those who came on Sunday with these items were directed to the ABOP area at the Johnson Canyon Landfill or Sun Street Transfer Station.

On Saturday, a composting workshop was held by Salinas Valley Recycles. An oil filter exchange program facilitated by a CalRecycle grant to the Monterey County Environmental Health Department was conducted, and



Amanda Good from Save the Whales provided a stormwater contamination demonstration and outreach materials. 42 oil filter trade in coupons were distributed, and 30 were redeemed at Napa Auto Parts.



The Gonzales High School Cheer Team provided volunteers for both days of the event. Tri-Cities provided gloves, safety vests, lunch (both days), and ice water. This group is very well-organized and consistent in meeting their commitments with enthusiastic volunteers who exemplify the spirit of community service. I will continue to invite them to provide volunteers for this event in return for a \$500 donation from Tri-Cities Disposal & Recycling as long as they wish to do so.

A large “thanks” to the Gonzales Unified School District and Trini Zavala, MOT department supervisor for his assistance in coordinating the Fairview School location for this event. Providing keys for the gate and restrooms for volunteers are just a few of the items of support provided when we use this site. We greatly

appreciate the trust involved in this partnership between the Tri-Cities, the City of Gonzales, and the Gonzales Unified School District.

#### Collection Data: 2019 Summer Event

Recycling/Reuse: 39,600 or 19.8 tons    Trash: 33,000 lbs. or 16.5 tons

Total Weight Collected by Event=72,600 lbs. or 27.17 tons

**Diversion Rate: 55%**

Item	2019 Summer	2018 Fall	2018 Summer	Average Per Event 2013-2017
<b>Trash</b>	16.5 tons	7.8 tons	12.1 tons	12.4 tons
<b>Metal</b>	9.3 tons	3.5 tons	5.63 tons	4.7 tons
<b>Mattresses</b>	Did not count/sent to landfill	0.39 tons (14 units)	18 units	33 units
<b>E-waste</b>	3.3 tons	1.8 tons	2.9 tons	2.8 tons
<b>Crdbd/Paper</b>			0.72 tons	1 ton
<b>Rigid Plastics</b>			1.03 tons	1.2 tons
<b>Crdbd/Plastic Combined</b>	1.5 tons	1.1 tons		1.1 tons
<b>Wood</b>				2.9 tons
<b>ABOP wastes</b>	1.4 tons (2,863 lbs.)	0.63 tons (1,267 lbs.)	1.3 tons (2,633 lbs.)	0.90 tons (1,785 lbs.)
<b>Refrigerator/Freezer</b>	2.9 tons (21 units+5 water coolers)	1.8 tons (16 units)	2.3 tons (17 units)	2.8 tons (21 units)
<b>Appliances</b>	Did not count/sent to landfill	1.02 tons (12 units)	(11 units)	(16 units)
<b>Clothing Donations &amp; Reuse Area</b>	1.4 tons (2,700 lbs.)	0.45 tons (900 lbs.)	675 lbs.	Insufficient data

Clothing donations are estimated by approximate volume based on carloads transported to the Community Church clothing closet. Additional donations of textile goods were taken to the Salinas Goodwill and South County Animal Rescue. “Take it or Leave it” area items are now roughly estimated in diversion tonnage. Weights for items counted as units are calculated based on weight per unit established by DHEC and CalRecycle tables.

Respectfully submitted,

Maury Treleven



# Reuse, Recycling & Cleanup Days

## Fairview Middle School

Saturday & Sunday,  
June 22 & 23, 2019

*sábado y domingo 22 y 23 de junio*

8:00 AM—2:00 PM

*(or until boxes full  
o hasta que los contenedores se llenen)*

## Free! ¡Gratis!

Residents ONLY (No businesses)

*SOLAMENTE Habitantes  
de Casas (No negocios)*

For more information call/  
Para más información llame al  
Toll free 888-678-6798



**Items Accepted:** General Garbage, Clothing Donations, Electronics, TVs & Computers, Metal Appliances, Metal & Steel Items Including Refrigerators and Freezers! **Note:** All engines and transmissions must have the pans removed and be drained of fluids.

**Please NO WOOD OR YARD WASTE, Mattresses (free at landfill), Tires, Large Furniture, Couches, Sofas, or Hazardous Waste (other than listed below).**

**Saturday: Special Collection of APPROVED sharps containers & special wastes**

*Sábado: Colección Especial de contenedores APROBADOS para jeringas y materiales especiales*



**Saturday: Receive up to two free oil filters when you bring in your used oil filters for recycling**

*Sábado: Recibe hasta dos filtros de aceite gratis cuando traigas los filtros usados de aceite para reciclarlos*

**Artículos Aceptables:** Basura General, Donaciones de Ropa, TV's, Computadoras, Electrónicos, Electrodomésticos de Metal, Artículos de Metal y de Acero Incluyendo Refrigeradores y Congeladores! **Nota:** Todos los motores y transmisiones no deben tener ningún líquido. Por favor de quitar los tornillos de las tapas de la parte de abajo de motores y trasmisiones para que no traigan aceite.

**Por favor NO MADERA o Maleza/Desperdicios de Jardín, Colchones (gratis al basurero), Llantas, Muebles Grandes, Sofás, o Desechos Tóxicos (excepto los mencionados arriba)**



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What goes where?  
¿Qué va a donde?



What goes in the trash cart?  
¿Qué va en el bote de la basura?



What goes in the recycling cart?  
¿Qué va en el bote del reciclaje?



What goes in the green waste cart?  
¿Qué va en el bote de desperdicios del jardín?

**City of Gonzales**  
**Reuse, Recycle & Cleanup Days**  
**Días de Limpieza**  
**Saturday & Sunday, June 22 & 23**

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# YES! / ¡SI!

**Mixed Recycling Cart**  
**Bote de Reciclaje Mixto**





# YES! / ¡SI!

**Yard Waste Cart**  
**Bote de Desperdicios de Jardín**





# NO!

**Never Put Electronics or Batteries in Carts! (Bring on Saturday of Event)**  
**No Electrodomésticos o Baterías en Botes (Traer el día sábado solamente)**

