## COG Recycling Committee

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## Public Space Recycling March 22, 2012

## DowntownDC BID Public Recycling Program

## July 2008- March 2011

Six-month Pilot Public Recycling Program - July 2008
The DowntownDC BID, Department of Public Works, and American Beverage Association launched the six-month pilot program to examine feasibility of public recycling by locating 25 cans throughout downtown.
${ }^{2} 2$ Capital Improvement Investment Study - The Pilot assessment determined that public recycling worked, however district wide feasibility was an issue of identifying significant start-up resources.

Downtown Streetscape Improvement Project - Completed in September 2010, the project was funded with ARRA stimulus funding, and provided 39 additional public recycling cans.

## DowntownDC BID Public Recycling Program Dream Machine Partnership

Washington DC - Dream Machine Partnership
23.2 PepsiCo to donate 300 bins and publicize Washington DC Dream Machine program

Re2. Downtown BID to service the bins, deliver the recyclables to Department of Public Works and implement staff training and community education
rex Department of Public Works will install the bins and will provide weight measurements and deliver the recyclables to Waste Management MRF.

## Public Space Recycling Program Expanding throughout the Entire BID - 363 Bins



## DowntownDC BID Public Recycling Program Monitoring and Measuring Success

## Examining the operations of the program



Re Measuring the materials being recycled and diverted from landfills
$\lambda_{2}^{2}$ Reconfirming the location types that result in the greatest diversion rates

Re Evaluating ways to reduce the cost of servicing the program using the SAM teams
${ }^{2} 2$ P Provide updated information about program to downtown stakeholders

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|  | Composition <br> Percentage | Total Collected <br> (Tons) | Total Collected <br> (Lbs.) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Paper | $43.15 \%$ | 23.238 | 46477 |
| Aluminum | $2.50 \%$ | 1.349 | 2697 |
| PET | $17.98 \%$ | 9.683 | 19365 |
| Glass | $14.41 \%$ | 7.763 | 15527 |
| Tin | $0.00 \%$ | 0.000 | 0 |
| Residue | $21.96 \%$ | 11.827 | 23653 |
| Total | $100.00 \%$ | 53.860 | 107720 |

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What Happens to My Recyclables in Downtown DC?

## Step 1: Dispose of Bottle/Can/Paper in the Single Stream Recycling Bin

## Single Stream <br> Recycling Bins Accept:

- Paper
- Aluminum
- Plastic
- Glass

Step 1: What CAN go into the Recycling Bins?


## Step 1: What CAN'T go into the Recycling Bins?



## Step 2: SAMs Collect Blue Bags from the Recycling Bins



- Blue plastic bags are used in the recycling bins and clear bags are used in the trash bins.
- SAMs collect the bags from both bins and place them in their red rollaway containers.


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- SAMs place the recyclable materials from their red rollaway containers on the corner of the street where the SAM truck picks them up.


## Step 3: The SAM Truck Delivers Recyclable Materials to an Internal DPW Site

DPW Drop-Off Site


- The SAM truck unloads the recyclable materials into a roll-off container at the D.C. Department of Public Works New Jersey Avenue, SE site.


## Step 4: DPW Delivers Recyclables to the Waste Transfer Station at Fort Totten



- DPW waits for the roll-off container at New Jersey Avenue, SE to reach maximum storage capacity.
- DPW then delivers the roll-off container of recyclables to the Waste Transfer Station at Fort Totten to be weighed.

Step 5: Recyclables are then sent to the Waste Management MRF


- The Waste Transfer Station then delivers the recyclables to the local Waste Management Materials Recovery Facility in Prince George's County, Maryland.


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- In order to determine a base content for analysis at the beginning of the program, at the very first collection cycle all recyclable materials will be sorted and weighed by the Waste Management MRF.


## Step 6: PepsiCo Collects Recycled Materials



- PepsiCo purchases recycled aluminum and plastic materials from the Waste Management MRF.
- The materials are then sent to a local PepsiCo beverage container manufacturing facility to be recycled into new bottles and cans.


## Step 7: PepsiCo makes a contribution to Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities



- For every 10 million pounds of recycled plastic and aluminum collected, PepsiCo makes a $\$ 250,000$ contribution to EBV, as well as an annual contribution of \$500,000.

The Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities Class of 2010 MaysBusiness.edu

Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities (EBV) is a national program offering free, experiential training in entrepreneurship and small business management to post-9/11 U.S. veterans with disabilities.



