

RECYCLING COLLECTION
FUND NO. 558
ACCOUNT NO. 1135

DESCRIPTION

The Recycling Division is responsible for collection of all recyclable material within City limits. At this time, this includes scheduled and unscheduled service for residential customers.

MISSION

To provide the citizens of Merced excellent recycling services, which help meet State mandates, preserve quality of life, and enhance the City's general appearance.

GOALS

- ◇ Provide regular collection of residential, co-mingled, single stream recyclables in the most efficient and cost-effective manner.

OBJECTIVES

***PERFORMANCE
MEASUREMENTS/INDICATORS***

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| 1. Continue to monitor and adjust right sizing of recycling service routes to accommodate growth, as well as improve productivity. | All routes will be continually audited during fiscal year, and adjustments implemented as necessary. |
| 2. Track diversion of material from the landfill, as mandated by the State of California. | Track tonnage of recyclables collected and compare to original estimates of diversion. |

2003-2004 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

A Residential Recycling Program began operations in FY 2003. This is the first budget presented that will include a complete fiscal year.

The recycling rate approval included the ability to automatically adjust rates, based on CPI factors, each January 1, beginning in 2004, and concluding in 2006. As a result of recent increases in many costs, particularly fuel, an inflationary adjustment in January 2004 is likely.