San Diego Environmental Partners

The Environmental Partner Award honors businesses and organizations that have worked closely with the Environmental Services Department during the award year to contribute to the City's 50 percent waste reduction goal.



City of San Diego Purchasing and Contracting Department, **Procurement Division**

1200 Third Avenue, Suite 200, San Diego, CA 92101-419<mark>5</mark>

The Purchasing and Contracting Department, Procurement Division demonstrated its on-going commitment to recycling through a collaboration with the Environmental Services Department in developing an environmentally preferable purchasing policy. Procurement staff has been instrumental in the development of this policy in addition to a City administrative regulation draft that provides guidelines for policy implementation. Most notably, Procurement staff developed the means to identify and report on City-wide environmentally preferable purchases.



San Diego Padres

100 Park Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92101

The Padres have shown an exce<mark>ptio</mark>nal commitment to waste reduction a<mark>t</mark> PETCO P<mark>ark sin</mark>ce its opening in 2004. The Padres strive to operate PETCO Park in a world-class environmentally friendly manner and annually increase their diversion of the waste produced at the ballpark. To achieve this goal, the Padres implemented several unique recycling and waste recovery programs that contribute toward their diversion goal. These efforts include post-event recycling that separates trash from recycling in every row of the ballpark after every game; grass clipping and food waste composting; and in December when the playing surface was replaced, the Padres worked with ESD to donate salvageable turf to local parks for reuse.

Director's Recycling Awards

- 22nd District Agricultural Association, **Horse Park Facility**
- Allan Company
- City of San Diego Metropolitan Wastewater Department, **Collections Division**
- City of San Diego Water Department, **Operations Division**
- Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf, Mission Hills
- COX Communications
- Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems

- Hewlett Packard San Diego
- Kyocera Wireless Corporation
- Neyenesch Printers
- Nokia Mobile Phones
- Oasis Naturals
- Qualcomm Incorporated
- San Diego Convention Center
- Solar Turbines Incorporated, **Harbor Drive Plant**
- Stanley Steemer Carpet Cleaner

Honorable Mention

- Anadys Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- AT&T Yellow Pages
- La Jolla Riford Library Center and **Jacobs Annex Branch of the** San Diego Public Library
- National University

- Pacific Beach/Taylor Branch of the San Diego Public Library
- Rancho Bernardo Branch of the San Diego Public Library
- SAIC
- T-Systems International, Inc.
- Van Can Company

For additional information please contact the Environmental Services Department at (858) 694-7000



City of San Diego

Waste Reduction & Diversion



In San Diego, the commercial sector accounts for more than 65 percent of all waste disposed at the Miramar Landfill. The voluntary efforts of concerned companies, schools and government organizations, like those showcased in this program, help the City achieve its waste reduction and recycling goals. The winners honored in this year's program have become leaders in the community by developing innovative programs that result in significant waste reduction, recycling and economic benefits.



The Environmental Services Department proudly presents the 2006 Environmental Champion Award to Tom Fudge, host of KPBS' public affairs radio program "These Days." The **Environmental Champion Award** pays tribute to an exemplary individual whose commitment to



the environment has positively impacted San Diego communities.

With more than a dozen years of experience in commercial and public broadcasting, Mr. Fudge's dedication to the environment is evident in his numerous reports on our local environment. Each episode of "These Days" that discusses complex environmental topics brings a balanced, informative conversation to thousands of listeners who otherwise might not be exposed to the intricacies of solid waste disposal, recycling, energy conservation and sustainable living. During the last year, Mr. Fudge interviewed ESD staff to discuss universal waste, construction and demolition recycling, and the 1919 Peoples' Ordinance regulating refuse collection. Bringing



these topics to radio inspires countless San Diegans to view the world differently and to take a fresh look at solid waste and recycling in our community. Tom Fudge represents the admirable qualities present in those worthy of being called Environmental Champions.



San Diego Recyclers of the Year







City of San Diego Metropolitan Wastewater Department, **Operations and Maintenance Division**

5240 Convoy Street, San Diego, CA 92111

The Metropolitan Wastewater Department (MWWD) Operations and Maintenance Division was the first publicly-owned wastewater treatment operation in the nation to receive ISO 14001 certification for its environmental management system, which ensures MWWD's commitment to regulatory compliance, pollution prevention and continual improvement. In 2005, the Division diverted 88 percent of the treatment plants' biosolids for beneficial use as a soil amendment in Arizona and as alternative daily cover at the Otay Landfill which reduces the need for imported soil.

Clark Realty Builders, LLC

4225 Executive Square, Suite 325, San Diego, CA 92037

Clark Realty Builders, LLC implemented a comprehensive construction and demolition waste management program for the three military housing projects they are building in San Diego for the U.S. Navy. The program includes crushing and onsite reuse of concrete and asphalt; recycling of drywall, cardboard, scrap metal, clean wood and landscaping materials; and salvaging old building components. In addition, aluminum, plastic and glass containers are collected from crew lunches at the jobsite and white paper is collected from the offices.

CNRSW Integrated Solid Waste Management Program

4790 Cummings Road, Building 3570, San Diego, CA 92136

The Command Navy Region Southwest (CNRSW) Integrated Solid Waste Management Program services 13 Navy installations in California, Nevada and Arizona. The program utilizes an environmental management system; advanced mapping tools to optimize collection; and a state-ofthe-art scrap metal collection and processing facility. In 2005, the program achieved 75 percent diversion by recycling and reusing over 193,000 tons of materials including metals, fibers, plastic, wood, glass, appliances, oil, antifreeze, and construction and demolition debris.

Del Sur

16010 Camino Del Sur, San Diego, CA 92127

Del Sur is a master planned community being developed in line with U.S. Green Building Council quidelines by four builders with a commitment to recycling and waste reduction. The project incorporates reclaimed materials, reused landscaping, and sustainable building products. Disposal costs have been cut in half by processing wood, drywall, and concrete to reuse onsite as mulch, soil amendment, and road base. Other sustainable features used in this project are photovoltaic tiles, energy efficient appliances, runoff filtration devices, and reclaimed water for irrigation.

Horizons-Marina District Condominium Community

555 Front Street / 510 First Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101

Recycling was planned from the start of Horizon's first occupancy in 2001, thanks to the combined efforts of the developer, management, homeowners association, and collection company. The volunteer recycling committee coordinates the community's recycling efforts. In 2005, residents of the 211-unit complex recycled more than 20 tons of recyclables including plastic, cans, glass, cardboard and newspapers, which saved approximately \$8,300 on disposal costs.

La Jolla Country Day School Environmental Recycling Club

9490 Genesee Avenue, La Jolla, CA 92037

The Environmental Recycling Club is a student initiated and student run club funded by the proceeds that are earned from redeeming collected recyclables. The club began in the Upper School (9-12) and was expanded in 2005 to the Middle (5-8) and Lower (K-4) schools. The club volunteers placed bins and put up posters throughout the campus, and visited each classroom to educate students about the program. In addition, the club also routinely collects recyclables from the bins and waste paper from teachers.

Nolte Associates, Inc.

15070 Avenue of Science, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92128

Nolte Associates' mission is to deliver innovative and sustainable solutions for civil infrastructure projects. Nolte's commitment to sustainability is reflected in all aspects of their business including office recycling programs, environmentally friendly office supplies and practices, a hybrid vehicle fleet, energy-efficiency measures, and a monthly newsletter distributed to employees that highlights sustainable projects and the accomplishments of each office.

Point Loma Nazarene University

3900 Lomaland Drive, San Diego, CA 92106

In 2005, Point Loma Nazarene University expanded their already successful recycling and waste reduction program to include large-scale food waste composting, which diverts approximately two tons of food waste per week. The university saved over \$35,000 on disposal costs last year by diverting 766 tons of recyclable material from the landfill. The outstanding efforts of the campus won first place for waste minimization and third place in the grand champion category in this year's RecycleMania, a national college recycling competition.

San Diego City Schools

4860 Ruffner Street, San Diego, CA 92111

San Diego City Schools conducts a comprehensive recycling and reuse program that continues to grow with education and awareness as the foundation of the program. To help schools track their progress toward their recycling goals, each month the recycling office of the school district posts information about each school's recycling rate and trash disposal costs. In addition, the district created a number of incentive programs to increase recycling along with water and energy conservation, and developed new specifications for construction projects that will reduce construction waste and encourage recycling.

SeaWorld San Diego

500 SeaWorld Drive, San Diego, CA 92109

SeaWorld's waste reduction program includes: recycling a wide variety of materials; donating used clothing and equipment to charity; and purchasing recycled content products. A full-time pollution prevention coordinator leads company-wide recycling efforts and the "Green Team" committee sponsors different environmental programs and activities throughout the year. In 2005, SeaWorld increased recycling of plastic flower pots, food scraps, green waste, demolition debris, plastic bags and shrink wrap, and realized almost \$260,000 in savings from recycling revenue and reduced disposal costs.

Toler Elementary School

3350 Baker Street, San Diego, CA 92117

Toler Elementary School is committed to educating students about the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling. The school-wide recycling program includes mixed paper, plastic, glass, aluminium and food waste. Student members of the ecology club collect the food waste for vermicomposting in worm bins. The harvested compost is used in the classroom's organic garden plots which are planted, cared for, and harvested by the students. The school also features a seven-week ecology academy that teaches students about natural resource conservation, recycling and community service.

Vons A Safeway Company

P.O. Box 513338, Los Angeles, CA 90051

Since the early 1960s, Vons has had a long-standing practice of recycling its waste. By 1995, the company reached a 50 percent diversion rate. Vons recycles plastic, paper, cardboard, metal, milk, wood, computers and has an award winning organics composting program. Without its waste diversion programs in place, the average store would have to increase its trash dumpsters from two to twenty. In 2005, Vons increased the tonnages of all materials recycled at its San Diego stores, except for paper which stayed the same.















