

Rebecca Borquez, Solid Waste Supervisor

Ms. Borquez was charged with preparing media communication, advertisements, and presentations. She was also tasked with preparing three grant requests from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality.

The entire Solid Waste staff was a vital component in the success of this program, from our staff that answered calls and responded to questions; to the Operational Supervisors that ensured that the collection of garbage continued during the transition from garbage to recycling and garbage collection.

The new Curbside Recycling Program has had a positive impact and is of benefit to the Peoria community. It has provided a convenient alternative to remove pollutants from our environment and it has assisted in maintaining refuse service rates at lowest possible cost.

Staff had anticipated a 15% diversion during the first full year of implementation and hoped to achieve a 20% diversion rate the second year. Table 3.a reflects that this goal was attained the second month of implementation.

Table 3.a

Month	Diversion
October	6%
November	21%
December	21.5%