

Jesse Duarte, Solid Waste Manager

Mr. Duarte worked with our council members, media and community to prepare the ground for the development and the implementation. Mr. Duarte developed the program plan which included expenditures, savings and revenues. He was successful in developing an advantageous Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Phoenix for the sales of the commodities.

Danny Sainz, Solid Waste Supervisor

Mr. Sainz was charged with re-routing the entire City to incorporate the collection of recyclables and coordinated the purchase and delivery of the recycling barrels.

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	29.5%
January	30%

The City of Peoria, as an organization fully supported the development and implementation of the Curbside Recycling Program and will continue to improve, whenever possible, our contribution to the protection of our environment. We also have a commitment to support and implement programs that will benefit the community.