

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MONTHLY UPDATE

Posted the first week of each month to cover the month prior

Purpose

The Executive Director Monthly Update keeps our members and partners up to date on all the action groups, projects, councils, round tables and events that are ongoing throughout the year. We appreciate your support and welcome you to jump in and participate!

Please welcome **Heather Miner** to Recycle Colorado. Heather is the new program director in charge of all things C&D. She will run two projects that are part of the C&D Council beginning January 2nd. Heather can be reached at heather@recyclecolorado.org.

ACTION GROUPS



Glass Pilot: The glass collection pilot is underway. There are currently 37 carts placed in Denver amongst bars, restaurants, retail, a gas station and multifamily buildings of up to 40 units. We recently acquired seven additional multifamily buildings, and carts will be placed the first week in January. The amount of glass collected in the first four weeks averaged 1,100 pounds per week.

E-Waste: The e-waste group will meet again in January to discuss the results of the illegal disposal survey distributed statewide.

Landfills: The landfill group will reconvene in January to discuss next steps after the completion of the landfill recycling survey.

Plastics: The plastics group completed its action items, which were to research the Renewlogy plastics-to-fuel technology in Salt Lake City and the Hefty Energy Bag collection program as a feeder to that technology. The group feels Renewlogy is a good solution for low value plastics but would like to do further exploration on the method of collecting residential #3-#7 plastics, which will be a future round table subject.

COUNCILS

C&D: Will launch an end-market project and, in partnership with GE Johnson Construction Company, a statewide contractor's challenge to increase recycling on job sites.

Colorado Springs: The attempted cardboard ban was not supported by the city. The council will host quarterly educational meetings and round tables in 2019.

Cannabis: This council will meet in January to determine if they will have a project for 2019.

ROUND TABLES

Multifamily Recycling:

Recycle Colorado hosted a round table and mixer to discuss how to increase single-stream recycling in MFUs in Denver. A pilot program in partnership with the Leadership Denver group out of the Chamber of Commerce will launch in the 2nd quarter of 2019.



Jefferson County Schools Recycling Round Table: This January 29th round table looks at how to increase recycling in Jefferson County schools. Watch your email for the announcement.

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