



Food Waste Drop-off

Pilot 2022

Permanent Service 2023



Waste Management:

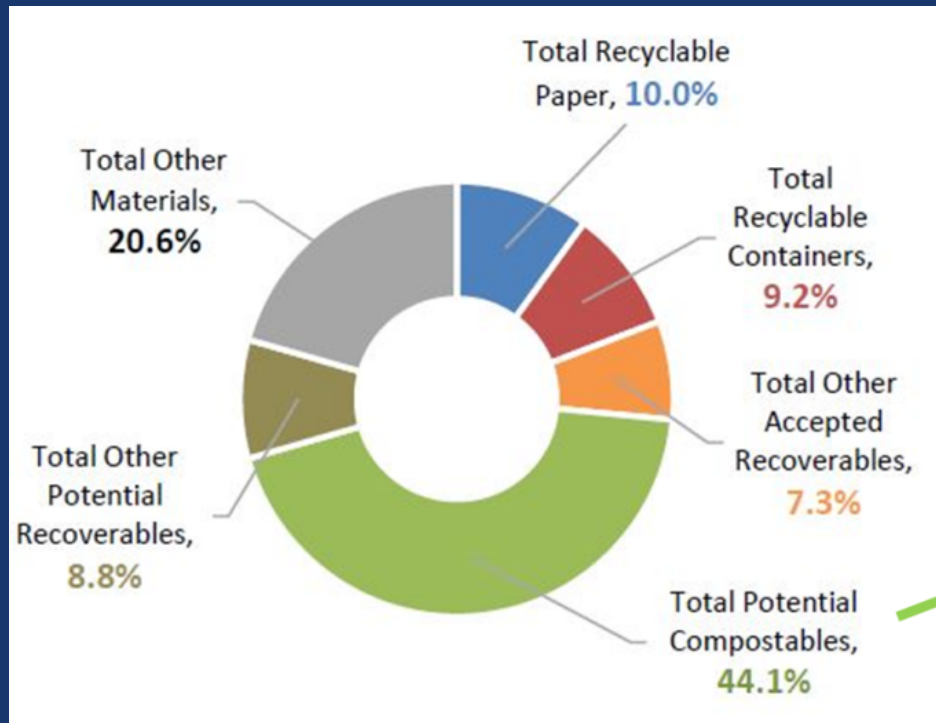
54,000 households

68,000 tons/annually

- Garbage, recycling, yard waste/leaves
- Convenience Center
- Special collections



Cary 2019 Waste Characterization



Potential Compostables	
Food Waste	27.4%



Compost
Education Center



Compost Bin
Sale



Event
Collection



Partnering to Dig Deeper into Compost



- Planning
- Marketing
- Education

NC DEQ Grant



FOOD WASTE RECYCLING DROP-OFF



65-gallon carts, 35-gallon
Free BPI compostable bags
Hand sanitizer, A-frame sign









ACCEPTED MATERIALS

Place the following items in the designated carts to be turned into compost:

FOOD SCRAPS & LEFTOVERS (raw or cooked)



Fruits/Vegetables



Dairy



Eggs/Eggshells



Breads/Baked Goods



Meat/Bones



Grains

- COFFEE GROUNDS/FILTERS & TEABAGS

- NAPKINS/PAPER TOWELS

- PAPER PLATES (non-coated/glossy)

- BPI CERTIFIED COMPOSTABLE ITEMS 

- PIZZA BOXES

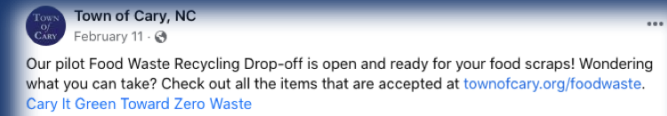
- PET FOOD

NO Plastic Bags/Packaging, Styrofoam™, Cans,
Liquids, Twist Ties, Stickers, or Rubber Bands

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Partnered Communications Plan



WONDERING WHAT GOES WHERE?



Education

Partnered Outreach & Education



LUNCHTIME DISCOVERY *Series*



Total Pilot Drop-offs



Total Estimated
Drop-Offs Containing
Food Waste:

12,743



Total Food Waste Collected Pilot Phase



Total **Lbs** of Food Waste
Collected to Date:

80,084.8







Surprises, Challenges, Solutions



Pizza box,
type, inserts

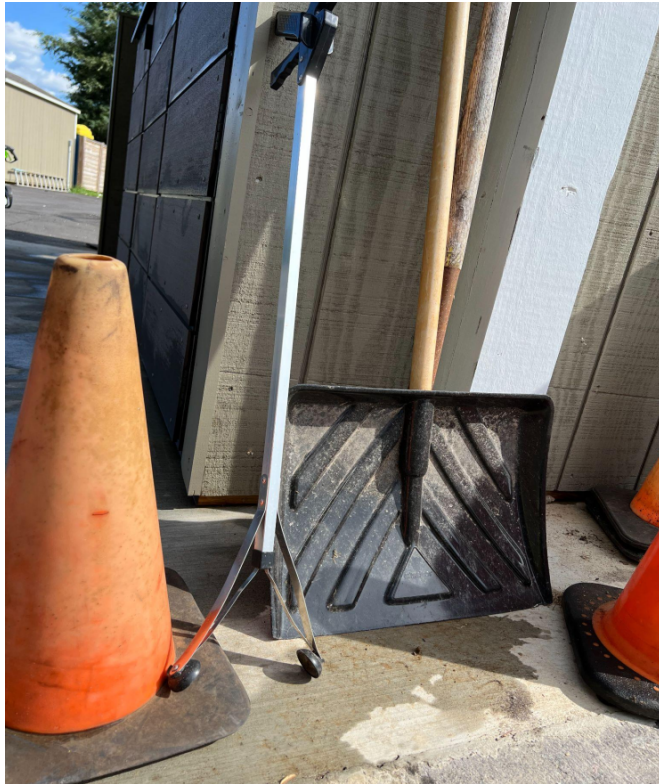


Small cart,
wrong enclosure



Cart pushed back

Supplies and Maintenance





Thank you!

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