The Woodlands Township
Environmental Services

Solid Waste Contracting

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Solid Waste Contract

Original contract provided

- Automated trash – tags for extra trash
- Separate yard waste pick-up
- "Unlimited" recycling in open containers
- Money for 2 yearly mailers, scholarships and some event expenses
In 2012 we became The Woodlands Township

Had to go out to bid so my wish list...

Move closer to PAYT

Expand recycling

...we developed an RFP to get help from an outside entity to help us develop an RFP
Solid Waste Contract

New Contract
✓ began Feb 1 2011
✓ Automated recycling in 96 gallon carts
✓ Automated trash – 96 gal
✓ Compostable bags for yardwaste
✓ 1% for environmental projects
✓ Almost 1 million dollars a year in savings
Other lessons learned

- Even playing field by NOT allowing exceptions e.g. pricing for smaller containers for trash
- Discussed how extra recycling handled - did not get put clearly enough in contract
- Glass in single stream?
- SW Inspector
- Customer service / scheduling services
What 1% does
Public education
How we get our message out
PRESEVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT