

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants

Community Grant Fact Sheet

New Orleans, Louisiana

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: City of New Orleans, LA

Project Title: New Orleans Recycling Expansion and Planning

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 6

Highlights

- Construct a new Materials Recovery Facility and expand current residential curbside recycling.
- Develop a 10-year solid waste master plan.
- Benefits disadvantaged communities.

Grant Funding: \$3,982,000

The City of New Orleans will expand its current residential curbside recycling program to all eligible households. This expansion will ensure universal and equitable access to curbside recycling, providing new recycling access to about 73,000 households and to replace 10,000 legacy recycling carts. The city also will develop a 10-year solid waste master plan that evaluates regional recycling processing infrastructure and capacity, explores opportunities for organics diversion including food waste, and explores infrastructure and policy needs to address waste diversion in multifamily and commercial operations. These project components will help the city meet its Climate Action Plan goal of a 25% waste diversion rate by 2030.

SWIFR Grants for Communities

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. SWIFR Community grant funding can be used to establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate and quality of materials collected for municipal solid waste. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to the City of New Orleans once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

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