

## Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants Political Subdivisions Fact Sheet

# Incorporated County of Los Alamos, New Mexico

### Selected Grant Recipient

**Name:** Incorporated City of Los Alamos

**Project Title:** Incorporated County of Los Alamos

### EPA Information

**Region:** EPA Region 6

### Highlights

- Creates 3 full-time jobs
- Composts 3,000 tons of yard trimmings and 1,500 tons of food waste annually

### Grant Funding: \$1,114,983

The Los Alamos County Municipal Food Composting Program will establish New Mexico's first municipal food composting initiative. The project will create strategically located food drop-off sites for residents and provide curbside collection services for businesses, while educating the community about recycling. The initiative will capture approximately 4,500 tons of food waste and yard trimmings in its first year. The project will develop the necessary infrastructure at the Los Alamos County Transfer Station, acquire essential equipment for processing waste, and engage in educational outreach. By doing so, Los Alamos will become a central composting hub for northern New Mexico and a model for others to replicate.

### SWIFR Grants for Political Subdivisions

The Save Our Seas 2.0 Act provides investments in recycling to support the implementation of the National Recycling Strategy and build a circular economy for all. This funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing for more efficient resource use and less environmental impact from waste materials. The SWIFR 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.

### SWIFR State Grant Fact Sheet

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