Initiating a Food Waste Program

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100 Waterfront Place

- LEED EB Platinum
- 400,000+ Square Ft
- 1,000 occupants
- Completed 2009
Roadmap to Success

- Team effort
- Know your waste stream
- Choose a food waste cycling system
- Partner with your waste vendor
- Communicate
- Reinforce and recognize
Team Effort

- Your Supervisor
- Facility Manager
- Executive Office
- Property Manager
- Recycling Coordinator(s)
Know Your Waste Stream

• Assess your waste
  – Types of Waste
  – Amounts
  – Sources

• Conduct a Waste Audit
  – Online Tools
  – CalRecycle
  – Waste Vendor
Choose a System
Partner with Your Vendor

- Understand the parameters
- Where will waste/compost go?
- What are the benefits?
- Leverage vendor marketing
  - Signage
  - Client Relations Funds $$
Communicate!

- Policy
- Newsletters
- Intranet Sites
- New Employee Training
- SIGNAGE!
Reinforce

Waste Audits
- Consistently Scheduled
- Time it Right
- Communicate Results
- Be Kind
Pull Out the Stops

- Presentations at Meetings
- Set up competitions
- Post/Announce successes
- Establish ongoing training efforts
Results & Recognition!