



FY 2014–16

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UOC1-13-0035

City and County of San Francisco

Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery

Used Oil Competitive (UOC) Grant Program

Background

Funding from the Used Oil Competitive (UOC) Grant Program is awarded for the following used oil related purposes: Providing and maintaining collection and recycling opportunities for used oil and filters; Research, testing and demonstration projects, collection technologies and end-of-life used oil; Developing uses and markets for products from used oil and filters; Advancements and developments in lubrication oil; and Education and mitigation projects that relate to stormwater pollution from used oil.

City and County of San Francisco applied during FY 2014 –16. \$64,196 was awarded to help with their used oil campaign.



Grant Project Goals

The City and County of San Francisco goals were to create a mural visible to the public, that would engage the residents with the safe disposal and recycling of used motor oil and oil filters, and remind the residents to call the City's call center (SF 311) to report illegal dumping.

Outcome and Accomplishments

San Francisco Department of the Environment worked with their community partner, Bayview Opera House, and a world-renowned local artist, Cameron Moberg, to complete the mural project:

- At the 2016 Used Oil and Training Conference, received the “Best Used Oil and/or Household Hazardous Waste Education Award” for this outreach project.
- They educated hundreds of SF residents about the issues of abandoned oil, safe disposal and recycling of used motor oil and oil filters, and the SF 311 reporting.
- There was a mural unveiling event attended by about 100 individuals and local politicians.
- They collaborated with community-based organizations to solicit input on the mural design and educated residents and engaged the press on reporting abandoned motor oil in the Bayview Hunters Point (BVHP) neighborhood to SF311.



Photos Used: Mural site before (left) and the completed mural (above).

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Challenges

We did not anticipate the legal issues related to mural ownership. After research with CalRecycle, the San Francisco Arts Commission, and the City and County attorneys, we were able to resolve all issues.

Lessons Learned and Recommendations

A major factor that contributed to the success of this project was the research the City and County did. Research was done on illegal dumping in their domain and this gave them an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of various agency's. Allowing them to coordinate and liaise with other agencies were also working on the same cause of illegal dumping of motor oil.

To save time and money we strongly recommend researching every thing you should know before taking on a big project like this.

Snapshot

Grant Program: Used Oil Competitive (UOC) Grant Program

Grant Program Website:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/UsedOil/Grants/Competitive/>

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Grant Type: Used Oil Competitive Grant Program

Year Awarded: Fiscal Year 2014-16

Funding: \$64,196



Photos Used: Types of illegal dumping San Francisco deals with (top and right).