Planning Committee/ Recycling Board Members

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Jim Oddie, ACWMA

Dave Sadoff, ACWMA

Francisco Zermeño, ACWMA

Vacant, Environmental Educator

Vacant, Environmental Organization

Wendy Sommer, Executive Director

AGENDA

MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND ALAMEDA COUNTY RECYCLING BOARD

Thursday, September 12, 2019

7:00 P.M.

City of Dublin Civic Center Regional Room 100 Civic Plaza Dublin, California 94568 (925) 833-6645 (Directions attached)

Meeting is wheelchair accessible. Sign language interpreter may be available upon five (5) days' notice to 510-891-6500.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE
- III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDENT
- IV. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

An opportunity is provided for any member of the public wishing to speak on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Board, but not listed on the agenda. Each speaker is limited to three minutes.

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This item is for information only.

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This item is for information only.

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DIRECTIONS

DUBLIN CIVIC CENTER DUBLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Traveling From Hayward (Eastbound on Interstate-580)

- ◆ Take the Hopyard Road/Dougherty Road exit.
- Turn left at the top of the exit ramp and stay in the left lane
- Continue over the freeway on Dougherty Road.
- Turn left at the second Traffic Signal onto Dublin Boulevard.
- ◆ At the second light, approximately ¼ mile down, turn left onto Civic Plaza
- ◆ Follow Civic Plaza around to the parking areas. The first building is the Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza) and the second building towards the freeway is the Dublin Library (200 Civic Plaza).

Traveling From Livermore (Westbound on Interstate – 580)

- ◆ Take the Hopyard Road/Dougherty Road Exit. If possible use the center right turn lane and turn right at the top of the exit ramp.
- ♦ Immediately move to one of the Left Turn Lanes to turn left at the first traffic signal Dublin Boulevard.
- ◆ At the second light, approximately ¼ mile down, turn left onto Civic Plaza
- ♦ Follow Civic Plaza around to the parking areas. The first building is the Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza) and the second building towards the freeway is the Dublin Library (200 Civic Plaza).

Traveling From Walnut Creek (Southbound on Interstate 680)

- ♦ Take the Dublin Boulevard exit just before the I-580 Interchange.
- ◆ Turn right at the traffic signal at the bottom of the exit ramp onto Amador Plaza Road.
- ♦ Turn right at the first traffic signal onto Dublin Boulevard
- ♦ Turn right at the third light onto Civic Plaza.
- ♦ Follow Civic Plaza around to the parking areas. The first building is the Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza) and the second building towards the freeway is the Dublin Library (200 Civic Plaza).

Traveling From Fremont (Northbound on Interstate 680)

- ◆ At the Interstate 680/580 Interchange, take Interstate 580 East (Towards Stockton) exit.
- Take the Hopyard Road / Dougherty Road exit.
- Turn left at the top of the exit ramp and stay in the left lane
- Continue over the freeway on Dougherty Road.
- Turn left at the second Traffic Signal onto Dublin Boulevard.
- ◆ At the second light, approximately ¼ mile down, turn left onto Civic Plaza
- ♦ Follow Civic Plaza around to the parking areas. The first building is the Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza) and the second building towards the freeway is the Dublin Library (200 Civic Plaza).

Traveling Via Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) – Dublin / Pleasanton Station (End of Line)

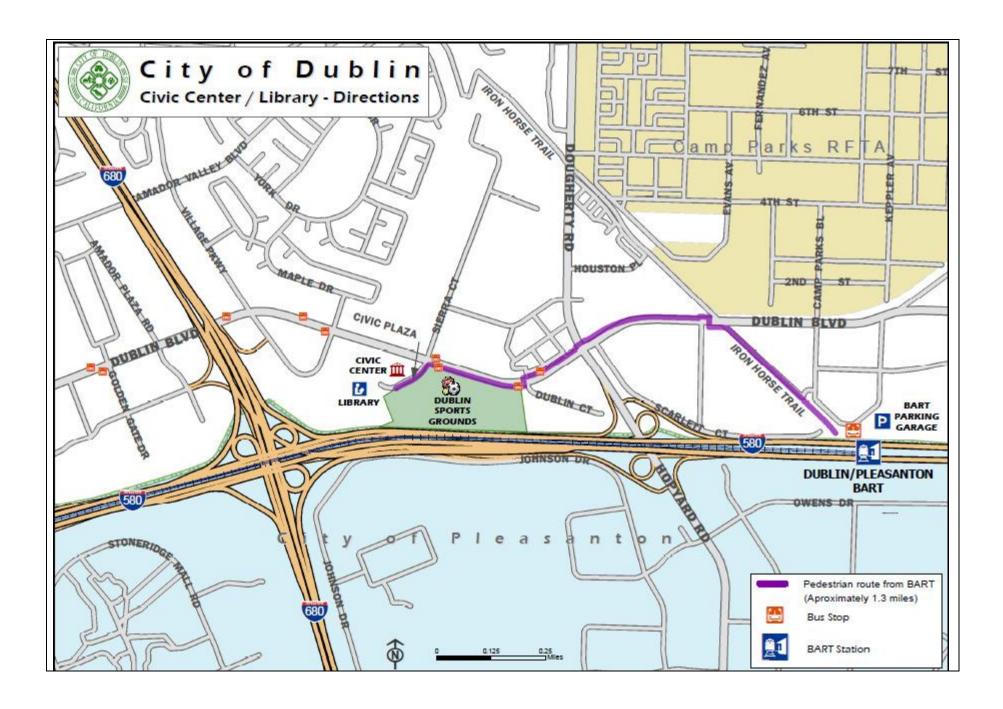
- ◆ Exit Station on North Side (Dublin Side Has the large BART parking garage and residential projects)

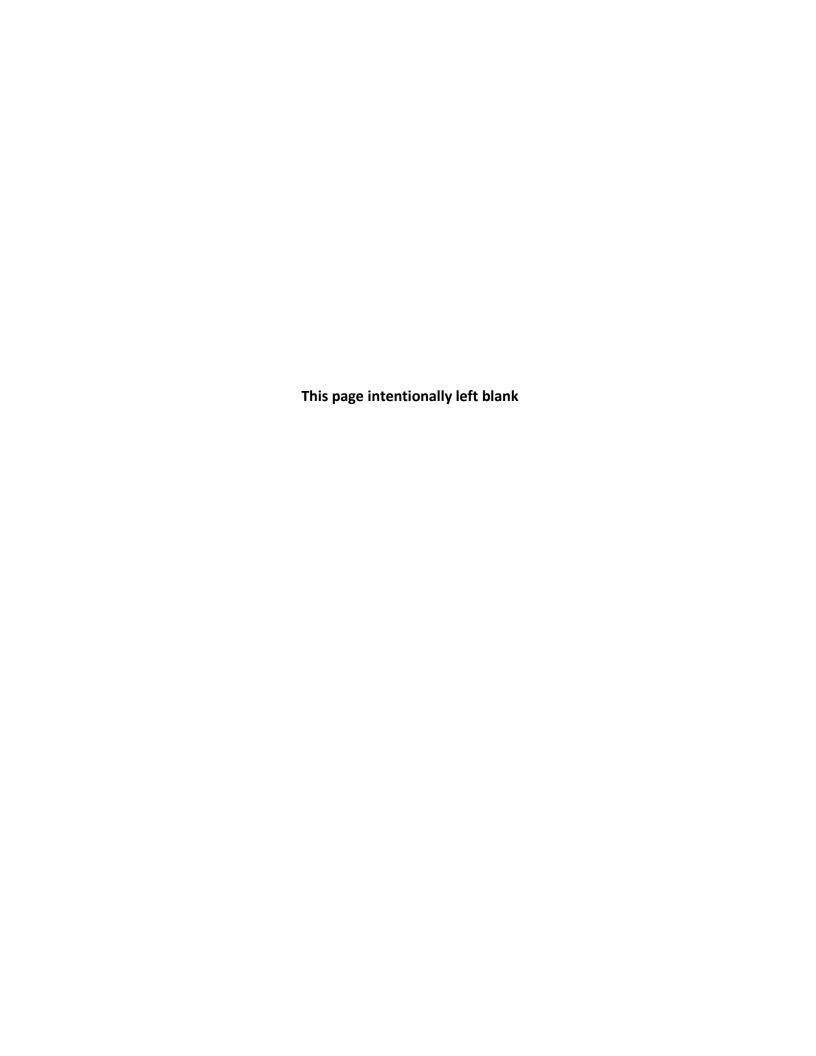
 Bus & Taxi connections are available Check bus schedules for Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority Wheels Bus Service at:

 http://www.lavta.org/schedules/fixedroute.html

 OR
- ♦ Approximately 1.3 mile walk See Map

Prepared: 11/10/08 - City of Dublin





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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND ALAMEDA COUNTY RECYCLING BOARD

Thursday, August 8, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Fremont City Hall
(Fire Department Large Training Room)
3300 Capitol Avenue
Fremont, CA 94538
(510) 284-4000

Teleconference Sarah Vared 1915 Francisco St Berkeley, CA 94709 (425) 457-0056

I. CALL TO ORDER

First Vice President Deborah Cox called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

Jillian Buckholz, Recycling Programs
Bernie Camara, Recycling Materials Processing Industry
Bob Carling, ACWMA
Deborah Cox, ACWMA
Jenny Kassan, ACWMA (interim appointment)
Tianna Nourot, Solid Waste Industry Representative
Jim Oddie, ACWMA
Dave Sadoff, ACWMA
Sarah Vared, Source Reduction Specialist (via teleconference)

Absent:

Vacant, Environmental Educator Vacant, Environmental Organization

Staff Present:

Wendy Sommer, Executive Director Jeff Becerra, Communications Manager Meri Soll, Senior Program Manager Cassie Bartholomew, Program Manager Farand Kan, County Counsel Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board

Others Participating:

Kathy Cote, Environmental Services Manager, City of Fremont Paddy Iyer, Founder and Executive Director, Daily Bowl

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III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

First Vice President Cox welcomed Board member Carling to the Recycling Board.

IV. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Approval of the Draft Minutes of July 11, 2019, 2019 (Jeff Becerra)
- 2. Board Attendance Record (Jeff Becerra)

3. Written Report of Ex Parte Communications (Jeff Becerra)

There were no public comments for the consent calendar. Board member Oddie made the motion to approve the consent calendar. Board member Sadoff seconded and the motion carried 8-0: (Ayes: Buckholz, Camara, Carling, Cox, Kassan, Oddie, Sadoff, Vared. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Nourot. Vacant: Environmental Educator, Environmental Organization)

VI. REGULAR CALENDAR

1. Upstream Grants (Meri Soll & Cassie Bartholomew)

This item is for information only.

Meri Soll provided an overview of the upstream grants program and Cassie Bartholomew provided an overview of the food waste prevention grants program. A link to the staff report and the PowerPoint presentation is available here: Upstream-Grants-Presentation-08-08-19.pdf

Wendy Sommer distributed a copy of an inaugural Grantee Highlight showcasing MedShare. A link to the publication is available here: MedShare-Highlight.pdf

Board member Buckholz thanked staff for sharing the inspiring work that the agency is doing. Board member Oddie inquired if the larger grocery stores are participating in the grocery rescue program. Ms. Bartholomew stated there are a number of Safeway locations that are participating but it depends on the store manager. The tendency is for stores such as Grocery Outlet and other independent type grocers to participate. Board member Oddie inquired about the differences in the clients that receive the food. Ms. Bartholomew stated that the clients are the same. Most of these organizations have to purchase food, so food security will not be solved through food rescue solely but it does help fill the gaps. Board member Oddie inquired if there are areas that elected officials can assist in encouraging the grocery stores to engage with these groups. Ms. Bartholomew stated that under SB 1383, as tier 1 generators, they will be required to participate. Ms. Sommer informed the Board that staff will provide an update on SB 1383 in October. Board member Carling stated that he appreciates the flexibility in which staff includes lessons learned in implementing these projects. Board member Sadoff inquired if the upstream grants expended are mostly for-profit or non-profit. Ms. Soll stated that they are mostly non-profit reuse operating grants. We did award four for-profit grants. Board member Kassan inquired if staff has had conversations regarding promoting more plant based diets. Ms. Bartholomew stated that there have been conversations among staff; however, this is a very difficult message to share with the public.

There were no comments from the public. First Vice President Cox thanked staff for the presentation.

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2. Food Waste Reduction Grantee Spotlight: Daily Bowl (Cassie Bartholomew) This item is for information only.

Cassie Bartholomew introduced Paddy Iyer, Founder and Executive Director of Daily Bowl. Mr. Iyer provided an overview of their food recovery work funded by StopWaste and provided a PowerPoint presentation. A link to the staff report and the presentation is available here: Daily-Bowl-Presentation-08-08-19.pdf

Board member Carling inquired about how they decide which organizations get what particular items. Mr. Iyer stated that he works with the organizations to determine what they need.

There were no comments from the public. First Vice President Cox thanked Mr. Iyer for his presentation.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

First President Cox inquired if the haulers have their own meeting group. Ms. Sommer stated that the agency convenes a meeting of the National Sword Task Force that includes haulers, member agency staff, and StopWaste staff. Staff will be providing an update to the Board in September. First Vice President Cox stated that it would be good to hear from the haulers as well.

Board member Oddie inquired about an update on the closures of rePlanet recycling centers. Ms. Sommer stated that in 2013, there were 2500 redemption centers across California. There are now half as many. Unfortunately, Californians lost approximately \$300 million in deposits and the solution needs to be statewide. Board member Sadoff stated that he would like to schedule a discussion of the bottle bill on the WMA agenda.

Ms. Sommer thanked Kathy Cote for hosting the meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

2019 - ALAMEDA COUNTY RECYCLING BOARD ATTENDANCE

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J. Moore	Х	Х	Х									
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Measure D: Subsection 64.130, F: Recycling Board members shall attend at least three fourths (3/4) of the regular meetings within a given calendar year. At such time, as a member has been absent from more than one fourth (1/4) of the regular meetings in a calendar year, or from two (2) consecutive such meetings, her or his seat on the Recycling Board shall be considered vacant.

X=Attended A=Absent I=Absent - Interim Appointed



TO: Recycling Board

FROM: Jeff Becerra, Communications Manager

SUBJECT: Written Reports of Ex Parte Communications

BACKGROUND

Section 64.130 (Q)(1)(b) of the Alameda County Charter requires that full written disclosure of ex parte communications be entered in the Recycling Board's official record. At the June 19, 1991 meeting of the Recycling Board, the Board approved the recommendation of Legal Counsel that such reports be placed on the consent calendar as a way of entering them into the Board's official record. The Board at that time also requested that staff develop a standard form for the reporting of such communications. A standard form for the reporting of ex parte communications has since been developed and distributed to Board members.

At the December 9, 1999 meeting of the Recycling Board, the Board adopted the following language:

Ex parte communication report forms should be submitted only for ex parte communications that are made after the matter has been put on the Recycling Board's agenda, giving as much public notice as possible.

Per the previously adopted policy, all such reports received will be placed on the consent calendar of the next regularly scheduled Recycling Board meeting.



Date: September 12, 2019

TO: Recycling Board

FROM: Wendy Sommer, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Grants Issued Under Executive Director Signature Authority

SUMMARY

The purchasing and grant policies were amended to simplify paperwork and Board agendas by giving the Executive Director authority to sign contracts and grant agreements less than \$50,000. A condition of the grant policy is that staff informs the Board of recently issued grants.

Grants: August - September 2019

PROJECT NAME	GRANT RECIPIENT	PROJECT TYPE/DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	VERIFICATION	GRANT AMOUNT	BOARD
Community Outreach Food Waste Reduction Grant	18 Reasons	Engaging board, staff and health promoters from the Cooking Matters program in the Stop Food Waste Challenge. Aiming to include StopWaste tips in cooking classes, including Spanish translation.	Hayward, San Leandro, Oakland and Berkeley	August	\$10,000	RB
Community Outreach Food Waste Reduction Grant	Berkeley Student Food Collective	Engaging student run board and store volunteers in the Stop Food Waste Challenge and raising awareness on UC Berkeley campus on food waste prevention.	Berkeley	September	\$10,000	RB



TO: Programs and Administration Committee

Planning Committee/Recycling Board

FROM: Pat Cabrera, Administrative Services Director

SUBJECT: Employment Status Change for Board Members

SUMMARY

At both the September 12, 2019 Programs and Administration Committee and the Planning Committee/Recycling Board meetings, staff will advise board members of the recent Internal Revenue Service (IRS) finding. Based on this finding, board members will be classified as employees instead of independent contractors for IRS reporting purposes beginning in calendar year 2020.

DISCUSSION

An IRS audit was recently conducted at the Agency with a focus on whether a person working for or on behalf of the Agency was an employee or an independent contractor. Coincidentally, a few weeks prior to our notice of the audit we reviewed an article from Best, Best and Krieger attorneys at law, regarding this issue as it pertained to public sector board members. Essentially the article stated since public sector board members are public officials, the IRS considers them employees. We subsequently confirmed with our labor attorneys at Liebert Cassidy Whitmore that the IRS' position is that board members are typically employees. Therefore, we have agreed to make the necessary changes effective January 1, 2020. In the meantime, staff will send board members and alternates a form W-4 to gather withholding information. Since the stipends will be processed through payroll beginning in 2020, board members will now receive payment through direct deposit. Staff will include direct deposit instructions along with the W-4 form to board members and alternates.

While income reported by us on either a W-2 (employees) or 1099 (contractors) is normally taxable, the information provided by each board member's W-4 will determine the amount of federal and/or state withholding per payment. Additionally, 7.65% will be deducted from the payment for Medicare and Social Security (FICA) payroll taxes.

While Board members will be considered employees for payroll purposes they will not be eligible for benefits such as medical, retirement, etc., and will not be counted in the budget in terms of authorized positions.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information only.



TO: Programs & Administration Committee

Planning Committee/Recycling Board

FROM: Meghan Starkey, Senior Management Analyst

SUBJECT: National Sword Update and Local Impacts

SUMMARY

StopWaste convenes a quarterly National Sword Task Force for member agencies and local service providers to share information. The primary purpose of the task force is to create a unified front and consistent talking points, and a common understanding regarding current market challenges created by China's import policies and subsequent international developments.

The purpose of this item is to share an update on the National Sword topic generally, as well as share results from a recent survey of member agencies about steps they have taken or plan to take in response to the market disruption caused by National Sword.

DISCUSSION

The United States has relied on China as an export destination for mixed paper and plastics for many years. As part of the China's Blue Sky policy, aimed at shutting down old polluting mills and decreasing trash and litter, China instituted strict new guidelines for commodity imports.

The market impacts were both sudden and very disruptive. Inspections of material became extremely rigorous. Simultaneously, the prices for these commodities plummeted. Other markets, primarily in Southeast Asia, have taken up the slack in volume, but are prone to disruption.

The finances of local recycling programs in Alameda County were designed both around readily available markets and revenue from commodities to offset costs of collection and processing. At the meeting, staff will present the results of a survey of member agencies summarizing their responses in the areas of messaging, processing, acceptable materials, and service provider compensation.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information only.

Attachment: National Sword Topic Brief



A New Era for Recycling

After your recycling cart or bin is picked up by a hauler, the materials are sorted, processed and sold to end users, some domestically and others overseas.

The United States, Europe, Australia and other parts of the world have increasingly relied on China as an export destination for mixed paper (junk mail, newsprint, office paper, etc.) and mixed plastic. Due to concerns about contamination of the material they have been receiving, and to shut down older polluting mills, China has instituted policies (Blue Sky and National Sword) that have effectively closed the doors on most imported mixed recyclables. Global changes are affecting our local programs, and quite abruptly.

As a result, StopWaste is re-emphasizing what residents and businesses can do to keep recycling streams clean, and how to reduce waste in the first place—especially paper—so that there is less of it to manage.

Recyclables Imported into China During the Months of January and February PLASTIC PAPER 2017 2018

Data from Resource-Recycling.com (4/17/2018)

Here's how to take action:



1. Continue Recycling

- Although recycling haulers are being challenged to find a way to market mixed paper and some plastics, residents and businesses should continue to recycle as work is done to find a long-term solution for recycling these items.
- Other materials that go in the recycling cart continue to have reliable venues for processing and remanufacturing.



2. Keep It Clean

- Make sure you're only putting what's allowed in your recycling and green carts (check www.StopWaste.org/Recycle to see what's accepted in your city).
- Items going in the recycling cart should be empty, clean and dry, free of food and liquids.
- No plastic, glass, or metal should ever go in the green cart—quality compost starts with yard trimmings and food scraps.



3. Minimize Paper Use

- Think twice before printing and print double-sided when possible.
- Go paperless with bank and utility statements.
- Visit www.StopWaste.org/Recycle for links to stop junk mail and unwanted catalogs and phone books.

Additional information on how to recycle is available at www.StopWaste.org/Recycle



TO: Planning Committee/Recycling Board

FROM: Justin Lehrer, Senior Management Analyst

Jeanne Nader, Program Manager

SUBJECT: Grants Update

SUMMARY

The Agency provides grant funding through a variety of projects and programs to businesses, non-profits and other entities located in Alameda County. At the August RB meeting, staff provided a partial update of grants recently awarded through the grants solicitation for reuse/repair, food waste prevention and food recovery grants. This memo covers the remaining grant funding that the Agency provides through programs such as the Community Outreach grants, Waste Prevention Equipment grants, Packaging Innovation grants, and Mini-Grants.

DISCUSSION

StopWaste takes several approaches to provide funding to entities that align with the Agency's priorities. Our funding provides opportunities for businesses, nonprofits, industry and community groups to educate as well as implement waste reduction measures via a variety of avenues including outreach and direct funding support.

In FY 18-19, staff awarded the following funding through individual program grant solicitation processes:

Community Outreach Grants	\$ 25,000
Waste Prevention Equipment Grants	\$ 82,915
Packaging Innovation Grants	\$ 10,000
Mini Grants	\$ 10,000
TOTAL	\$127,915

A full list of the recently funded grants from the above areas for FY 18-19 can be found in Attachment A. Staff will provide a presentation to the Board that includes an overview of grant programs listed above as well as highlight entities selected for award.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information only.

Attachment A: Funded Grants FY 18-19

EXHIBIT A - FY 18/19 Community Outreach, Equipment, & Mini Grants

Col	Community Outreach Grants - Food Waste Reduction					
Organization/City	Amount	Grant Funding Synopsis				
McGee Ave. Baptist Church/Berkeley	\$5,000	The Church will educate members and community partners on food waste reduction best practices and tools and engage up to 20 members to conduct their own fridge reality check. Over the course of a year, the church will share tips and stories through social media, church bulletins, garden workshops.				
Eden Garden/Livermore	\$10,000	Engaging 20 community members to take the Stop Food Waste Challenge and share their stories through e-news, social media and garden workshops.				
Fremont LEAF/Fremont	\$5,000	LEAF will educate members and the general public about food waste reduction through public presentations and social media. LEAF will engage 20 people to conduct their own fridge reality check.				
A-1 Community Housing Services/Hayward	\$5,000	Stop Food Waste awareness. The grantee will engage 20 members to conduct the fridge reality check and share 5 reminders to their community of food waste prevention tips – through social media, e-newsletters, in-person meetings				
TOTAL	\$25,000					

Waste Prevention Equipment Grants					
Organization/City	Amount	Grant Funding Synopsis			
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church/ Livermore	\$2,100	St. Barts will purchase stackable reusable containers and a cart/strap to hold boxes. Containers that are stackable will reduce the amount of storage space in the pantry and increase the space for more food items to be donated. Temperature controlled food storage/transport equipment will also help with perishable items donated from locations and during food distribution at the pantry.			
Arsola House/Oakland	\$7,500	Grantee will purchase reusable totes or bins, a freezer (and installation), hot/cold boxes and reusable coolers to increase the number of homebound people that receive donated by 50 for a total of 200 served, increase the number of unsheltered persons provided with food by 50 persons for a total of 250 persons, and increase recovery of prepared and perishable foods.			
Viola Blythe Community Center/Newark	\$4,941	Grantee will purchase a freezer to recovery and safely store surplus food to feed food insecure people. It is estimated that the Grantee will recover and distribute approximately 200 additional Turkeys (~3,000 lbs.) and other perishable foods between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.			

	Waste I	Prevention Equipment Grants Cont'd.
Organization/City	Amount	Grant Funding Synopsis
Faces of the East Bay/Oakland	\$8,703	Grantee will purchase and install a freezer, refrigerator, and thermal blankets to support food rescue and distribution by increasing capacity to refrigerate and freeze donated food and increase the amount of food distributed with new temperature controlled food recovery equipment. FACES estimates increasing donations and foods distributed by at least 200%.
Food of God/Oakland	\$1,100	Grantee will purchase reusable totes or bins, reusable coolers, and thermal blankets to recover surplus food to feed people experiencing food insecurity in downtown Oakland.
South Hayward Parish/ Hayward	\$7,000	Grantee will purchase reusable transport packaging and/or temperature controlled food storage equipment such as refrigerators, freezers, or hot/cold boxes. It is estimated that the Grantee will recover and distribute approximately 2,000 additional meals between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.
The Crucible/Oakland	\$2,353	Grantee will purchase and install a commercial refrigerator. It is estimated that the Grantee will recover approximately 5,000 lbs. of edible food to feed underserved students taking classes and camps onsite between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.
Replate/Alameda County	\$3,845	Grantee will purchase insulated blankets, insulated pan carriers hot/cold packs, and insulated delivery bags to recover surplus food to feed people experiencing food insecurity while reducing the use of disposable transport packaging. It is estimated that the Grantee will recover and distribute approximately 89,700 lbs. of food from Cal Dining between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.
Berkeley Food Network/ Berkeley	\$5,555	Grantee will purchase reusable plastic pallets and totes to replace limited-use wooden pallets and cardboard boxes, temperature controlled food storage equipment to keep recovered food at the proper temperature, and reusable food containers to reduce disposable aluminum trays. It is estimated that the Grantee will recover approximately 200,000 lbs. 1of edible food between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.
Agriculture Institute of Marin/Alameda County	\$10,000	Grantee will partner with 8 farms to replace 14,400 cardboard boxes with 645 reusable plastic totes for transporting produce to East Bay markets over a five year period. It is estimated that the reusable totes will prevent the purchase, use, and disposal of 5,760 lbs. of cardboard boxes annually with an estimated cost savings of \$5,400/yr.

Waste Prevention Equipment Grants Cont'd.				
Organization/City	Amount	Grant Funding Synopsis		
Dorothy Day House/Berkeley	\$6,983	Grantee will purchase two commercial refrigerators and one commercial freezer. As a result of this new equipment, it's estimated that the Grantee will recover approximately 600 lbs. of edible food a week during the duration of the grant.		
Downs Community Development Corporation/Oakland	\$1,650	Grantee will purchase and install a commercial freezer to recover surplus food to feed people experiencing food insecurity.		
Tri-City Volunteers/Fremont	\$3,934	Grantee will purchase round trip reusable totes to replace cardboard boxes. This will reduce limited space used in the warehouse so more food can be rescued for donation and distribution in the Marketplace and Bagged Lunch programs.		
Tri- Valley Haven/Livermore	\$2,369	Grantee will a combo commercial refrigerator/freezer to recover surplus food to feed people experiencing food insecurity. It is estimated that the Grantee will recover approximately 230,000 lbs. of edible food between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.		
Union City Family Center/Union City	\$4,882	Grantee will purchase reusable totes, reusable pallet wraps, reusable pallet bands or belts, freezer and installation, thermal blankets, and scale to recover surplus food to feed people experiencing food insecurity while reducing the use of disposable transport packaging.		
Drakes Brewery/San Leandro	\$5,000	Grantee to replace single-use wood pallets and plastic pallet wrap with plastic pallets, reusable pallet wrap and bands, preventing 8.9 tons of waste annually.		
Emerald Packaging/Union City	\$5,000	Grantee to replace paper cores for rolls of film packaging with reusable plastic cores, preventing 20 tons of landfill-bound waste annually.		
TOTAL	\$82,915			

Packaging Innovation Grants				
Organization/City	Amount	Grant Funding Synopsis		
Flo's Friendly Foods	\$10,000	Grantee will develop a model school lunch catering program that focuses on reducing the consumption and disposal of single-use packaging by transitioning to a reusable food ware operation.		
Total	\$10,000			

	Mini Grants					
Organization/City	Amount	Grant Funding Synopsis				
Bio Link/Oakland		Grantee to utilize funding to offset the cost of transportation to increase the number of donated science/lab equipment and supplies from bio medical entities for reuse by schools and colleges.				
Cup O Sugar/Hayward	\$5,000	Grantee will use funds to promote their new app that specifically designed to help neighbors share excess food items and request items needed in a pinch. Focus of promotion is at multifamily units in Alameda County.				
Total	\$10,000					