



# THE MATERIAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP



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### THE MATERIAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP

Demand is high, robust infrastructure exists.

Goal: Get more, good material into the bin.

Formed in 2003, we are a 501(c)3 with a mission to:

# INCREASE RECYCLING RATES IN AMERICA











### STUDY THE INDUSTRY, IDENTIFY BARRIERS, DESIGN SOLUTIONS AROUND BARRIERS

We understand that there are no silver bullets:

### Six Aspects of Healthy Recovery



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- Supportive Policy recognizes the value of the recovery supply chain

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- 5 Strong End Markets drive demand and appealing price
- Thoughtful Outreach
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### COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS THAT ADDRESS BROAD INDUSTRY CONCERNS

CVP's direct actions focus on three of these areas:

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### Using the Healthy Recovery Components to determine city tasks:



Access

Ensuring all households with curbside collection are served by large roll carts.



Champion Building

Growing support from local and state elected officials and the private sector.



**System Solution** 

Addressing the entire supply chain, ensuring use of best management practices.



Education and Outreach

Increasing participation and reducing contamination.





### Demand for Recycled Content Material\*

\*Some of the industries within ~100 miles of inaugural cities.

150 more manufacturers not listed.



Alcoa

Potters Industries Owens-Illinois Group Sumter Packaging Sonoco Products Co

Amspak

Augusta Tissue Augusta Newsprint

US Corrugated

Carrotell Paperboard
Southeastern Paperboard, Inc

Greenfiber

**Cascades Tissues** 

WasteZero/Envirobag Barnet Polymers

Leigh Fibers,Inc

NURRC

Custom Polymers, Inc

Kord USA Hilex Poly Co

Polyquest

ITW Angleboard

Wellman Plastics

Gerdua Ameristeel

Ati Allvac

Nucor CMC Steel

US Steel

Arcelormittal

Roanoke Electric Steel

Dyna Pak Calsonic

Activa

**Blue Diamond** 

\*Source: SERDC 2010 Recycled Content Demand Map





# Celebrating Successes



Celebrating Community & Funding Partners, SERDC Summit, 2014

## Projected increases in the Recycling Partnership's inaugural three partner communities



### Over 10 years, that equates to:

	WATER	86m	236m	338m
	saved	Gallons	Gallons	Gallons
~	ENERGY saved	.46m MBTUs	1.2m MBTUs	1.8m MBTUs
(CO <sub>2</sub> e	GHG saved	37,000 metric tons CO2e	100,000 metric tons CO2e	143,500 metric tons CO2e
(\$)	ECONOMIC value	\$1.6m	\$4.5m	\$6.5m
		Florence, AL	Columbia, SC	Richmond, VA

The results? Proven **environmental** impact that supports corporate sustainability goals and **economic** impact that supports your bottom line.





# We're On A Roll









# 1991 Called









# SCALING UP WITHOUT FALLING DOWN

The leader of the Curbside Value Partnership lays out a set of principles that can help recycling leaders grow the nation's supply of recycled materials while tailoring programs to the needs of specific communities and companies.

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e ofren hear the term "national scale" rosted around during discussions show to be staceleare recycling rates. But what does it mean?

At its core, national scale is the recognition that recycling operations, techniques, and barriers differ state-by-state and even constitution, the constraint of the state of the sta

For those of us in the midst of designing nationally scalable efforts, gone is the thinking that if we address the concerns of the largest, low-performing cities we will harness enough material to fill the supply chain. Now we know that the real path toward national scale involves choreographing similar industry-boosting efforts in as many locations at once as possible.

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National efforts cannot quickly prescribe solutions that work for every city across the country. Successful initiatives will instead understand the needs and barriers of each city, state and region. They will also connect the large network of industry leaders and stakeholders, as well as provide a framework of best-management

was studying recycling and couldn't quite figure out where CVP fit in. Her question was, "Materials have value, systems are in place and marker pull helps more commodities along, so why do we need a nonprofit in the mix?" It is a fair question, but it also shows how most people do not see that the system we call recycling is less a single industry and more a loosely connected—but highly interdependent—nework of businesses, governments and nonprofit groups. While the goal of each sector is the same—more material and higher-quality recycling—the motivation and approach is often very different for each individual entity. And that's where the difficulty list.

It's not only reporters who are asking questions about how sclable solutions work. Volces across that recycling network are eager to ensure their needs are heard. Communities struggle to engage their recycling partners, and new materiak, improve their operations and offer citizens better service. MRFs need stronger best-management practices to share with their community partners. Companies that buy from MRFs need to see more supply but clearer bales. And brand companies need more

### Article in this month's Resource Recycling

# Scale comes by embracing differing approaches

### **Open Source Tools**

In 2015 we expect to reach 2000+ contacts with:

#### Webinars

Free sessions connecting recycling officials with national leaders

### Newsletters Tips and tidbits for

Tips and tidbits for recycling programs

- Best Management Tools
   Connecting with the leading approaches
- Peer Networks
   Building connections with other recycling officials
- Free Downloadable Tools
   Images and templates

### **CVP City Work**

In 2015 we expect to partner with a dozen communities providing:

### Technical Assistance CVP staff time to help

program coordinators adopt best management practices

- Champion Building
   Connecting with elected officials around the importance of recycling
- Communication Campaigns
   A full portfolio of campaign materials including ads, posters, door hangers, mailer cards, magnets, and more

### **Recycling Partnership**

In 2015 we expect to partner with at least five communities providing our most in-depth level of action:

#### Grants

Seeding private dollars to unlock public investments

best management practices

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Q ABOUT -OUR WORK -THE RECYCLING PARTNERSHIP NEWS Connecting public-private partnerships for stronger recycling We have a proven track record that utilizes public-private partnerships to improve recycling at the local level. Our approach? Make recycling easier for Americans. We support community recycling programs in their efforts to be more accessible and more efficient. Our work engages the full recycling supply chain: from local government to industry end markets, haulers, material recovery facilities, and converters.

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