# **Recycling Update: September 2019**

#### Solid waste numbers September 2019

Diversion rate 21%

Recycling rate 11%

Total garbage 2746 tons

Total recycling 350 tons

#### **Solid waste numbers August 2019**

Diversion rate 19%

Recycling rate 11%

Total garbage 3308 tons

Total recycling 392 tons

#### Participation rates for commercial for August 2019

1178 Businesses with Garbage Accounts

575 Businesses with Recycling Accounts (through Waste Management)

49% Recycle Participation Rate for Commercial Accounts

#### **Special Event Recycling**

Fantasy Fest 2018: collected 7.37 tons of recycling

Fantasy Fest 2017 collected 3.1 tons of recycling

Fantasy Fest 2016 collected 0 tons of recycling

#### **Recycling Outreach**

Have started selecting a different street each week and surveys street, # recycle carts out, garbage and yard waste. Looking in recycle and garbage carts and tagging for contamination.

#### **Street Can Art**

We have started a trial. We are having local artist volunteer to paint street cans. We started trials to see how different paints hold up and clean up. We will be placing several out on Duval Street in the Locals Night Out Area.



This can is currently in front of San Carlos with plans to move it to corner of Duval and Southard.

### **School Cafeteria Recycling Program**

We are still working with HOB for cafeteria program and looking at setting up compost program also.

## **Compost Collection**

Currently researching RFP's other communities have used to get proposals for compost pickup in the City of Key West, for businesses and residential.

## **Glass Reuse Feasibility Study**

We budgeted \$30,000 for study on amount of glass in recycling and possible reuse options in the Keys.