

Recycling Update:

Trash for Transit. Solid Waste Division and Transit Department have teamed up and offer a 24-hour buss pass to anyone who volunteers for an hour at a City/ KKWB Cleanups. Last 3 cleanups (January 2020) with Plogging the Keys we have picked up 15 pounds of cigarette butts and close to 100 pounds of garbage. Averaging 8-15 volunteers per week.

Dumpsters in Paradise. Fist dumpsters made the paper. TDC is interested in project. Am working on an awesome grant to sponsor local artists wanting to paint dumpsters by providing materials.

Plastic Straw Ban is now in enforcement phase. Please report anyone distributing plastic straws to Code Compliance. We are accepting requests for extensions if they can show straws were ordered before ban in place and they have been trying to exhaust inventory. Please see and share attached flyer.

I have been taking reports from Reef Relief and visiting and talking to managers of businesses. So far no issues.

Yard Waste is no longer accepted in plastic bags. Waste Management is tagging those with plastic bags and not collecting.

January 2020

Solid waste numbers January 2020

Diversion rate 20%

Recycling rate 13%

Total garbage 3635.95 tons

Total recycling 519.27 tons

Solid waste numbers December 2019

Diversion rate 21%

Recycling rate 13%

Total garbage 3291.66 tons

Total recycling 512.07 tons

Participation rates for commercial for January 2020

1205 Businesses with Garbage Accounts

579 Businesses with Recycling Accounts (through Waste Management)

48% Recycle Participation Rate for Commercial Accounts

What we want to accomplish next FY

This year we want to pass mandatory commercial recycling, next year we would like to implement.

Start compost collection, mandatory for commercial?