Recycle Roundtable Meeting

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Today's Agenda

- Welcome
- Presentation
 - Crysta Guzman, NCTCOG
- Discussion
 - KWTT Campaign's MVPs
 - NCTCOG's Regionwide Promotion of the KWTT Campaign
 - One Working Group Session KWTT Social Media Posts
- NCTCOG Updates
- Roundtable
- Future Agenda Items
- Schedule Next Meeting
- Adjourn



Presentation

Three Toolkits to Leverage for Your Litter Cleanup Events and Programs

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Trash Free Texas:

Fostering a Litter-Free Environment

TrashFreeTexas.org

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Introduction













Trash Free Texas Toolkits

- Cleanup Challenge Toolkit
- Local Government Trash Reduction & Educational Toolkit
- Recreational Cleanup Toolkit

Past Webinar: Making the Most of New Resources for Reducing Litter





Cleanup Challenge Toolkit

Cleanup Challenge Toolkit

Includes resources to plan, promote, and host a cleanup event or a competitionstyle event with a neighboring community or communities.

Cleanup challenges can be:

- **Regional competitions** hosted by regional entities or nonprofit organizations encouraging the participation of many cities within a geographic region; often have a long time-frame in which to compete.
- **Local competitions -** organized by two or more communities, and often take place on a single day.
- Available on Trash Free Texas website <u>here</u>

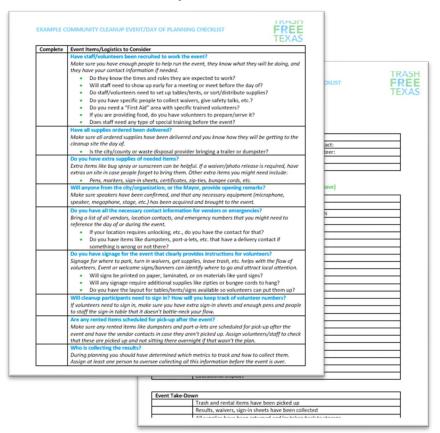




Cleanup Challenge Toolkit

- Cleanup Challenge Toolkit resources include:
 - Templates for social media and flyers,
 - Scorecards
 - Certificates
 - Press releases
 - Tips for finding partners and leveraging existing events

Example Checklist







Cleanup Challenge Toolkit - Examples



Example Promo Flyer

Example Facebook Cover





North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge and Mayors' Challenge

NORTH TEXAS COMMUNITY CLEANUP CHALLENGE

- Engages communities in a competition-style cleanup to see which one can pick up the most trash per resident during a designated timeframe.
- Type: Regional competition
- Timeframe: March 1 May 31
 - Leverages other events like DMWT Trash Off
- Participation: Open to all local governments in region requires an acknowledgement of participation (by mid point)
- **Challenge Scoring:** Uses <u>Texas Litter Database</u>
 - Use external id "CCC22" on trash reports
- Website: North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge







Local Govt. Trash Reduction & Education Toolkit

Local Government Trash Reduction and Education **Toolkit**

- Assists local and regional governments, nonprofit orgs., and other entities in engaging and educating their communities on the topics of watersheds, litter, aquatic debris, and cleanup initiatives.
- Toolkit includes:
 - Videos
 - Social media templates
 - Outreach materials
 - Reports
 - Litter campaigns and initiatives

- Potential funding sources for litter cleanup
- Past TFT webinar recordings
- Resources for litter enforcement





Local Govt. Trash Reduction & Education Toolkit

- Local Government Trash Reduction and Education Toolkit
- This toolkit can help you...
 - Access a curated and consolidated list of educational resources that can help your affiliate with community outreach and messaging on watershed education and the impacts of litter.
 - Discover new campaigns or initiatives like EPA's Pack a Waste-Free Lunch, the Nurdle Patrol, or USAg Recycling.
 - Learn about potential funding opportunities that can help your community.





Local Govt. Trash Reduction & Education Toolkit

Access this <u>Toolkit</u> on the Trash Free Texas Website

DESCRIBEES AND WERSITES

LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRASH REDUCTION AND EDUCATION TOOLKIT

This Local Government Trash Reduction and Education Toolkit is a consolidation of resources developed to assist local and regional governments, nonprofit organizations, and other entities who are seeking to engage and educate their communities on the topics of watersheds, litter, aquatic debris, and cleanup initiatives.

Users will find resources, such as videos, reports, infographics, and websites to existing campaigns that can aid in the promotion or creation of litter abatement education and outreach initiatives in their own communities. The toolkit also includes information on available grants and funding opportunities for cleanup events, and local enforcement resources to curb illegal dumping.

The toolkit is broken down into several categories based on the type of resources a community or organization may be seeking.

*Please be aware that the drop-down menus below will automatically collapse after a selection is made.

| RESOURCES AND WEBSITES | • |
|--|---|
| ORGANIZATIONS | ~ |
| TOOLKITS AND REPORTS | ~ |
| LITTER, TRASH, AND WATERSHED EDUCATION | ~ |
| INITIATIVES AND CAMPAIGNS | ~ |
| FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES | ~ |
| LITTER ENFORCEMENT AND ILLEGAL DUMPING RESOURCES | ~ |
| CLEANUP EVENTS | ~ |





Recreational Cleanup Toolkit

Recreational Cleanup Toolkit

- Assists local and regional governments, nonprofit orgs., and other entities interested in hosting recreational driven litter cleanup events such as plogging, plalking, pliking, and pladdling, or creating educational campaigns to encourage these activities.
 - Plogging = picking up litter while jogging
 - **Plalking** = picking up litter while walking
 - **Pliking** = picking up litter while hiking or biking
 - Pladdling = picking up litter while paddling
- Objective is to exercise while making your surroundings litter-free.
- Proves you don't need a big cleanup event to make a difference by incorporating picking up litter into daily activities!





1) Educational Plogging and Pladdling "Waste Station" Signage for Parks and Launch Points

Design Choice 1



Design Choice 2







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2) QR code "How To" Instruction Sheet

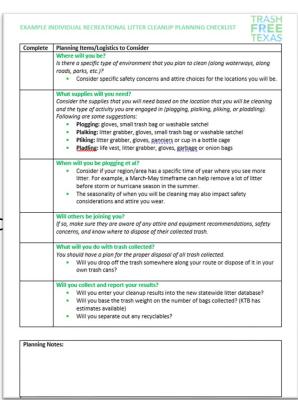






3) Plogging/Pladdling Campaign Toolkit:

- **Planning Your Event**
 - Cleanup event checklists for plogging/pladdling
- Promoting Your Event
 - Social Media Toolkit
 - Plogging/pladdling "How-To" Guides
- **Hosting Your Event**
 - Event sign-in sheets, safety info, volunteer certificate, day of ched
- Results
 - Tracking and reporting, Texas Litter Database
- **Finding Partners**
- **Promoting Success**







Recreational Cleanup Toolkit

Recreational Cleanup Toolkit:

- **Promoting Your Event**
 - Plogging, Pladdling, Pliking How-To Guides











Recreational Cleanup Toolkit Pilot

- We're looking for volunteers to help us test and pilot these resources!
- Who: Local governments, KTB Affiliates, paddling or recreation groups
- Pilot Period: Now September 30, 2022
- Feedback Survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZC8W2H9
- Feedback Deadline: October 1, 2022

Contact Crysta Guzman, cguzman@nctcog.org.



Let's Get Social!

- The Trash Free Texas team is now posting regularly to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!
- Follow us on social media and tag @trashfreetexas on your litter cleanup posts!
 - <u>https://www.instagram.com/trashfreetexas/</u>
 - https://www.facebook.com/TrashFreeTexas
 - https://twitter.com/TrashFreeTexas







Connect With Us!

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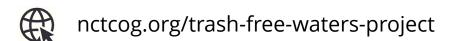
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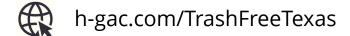
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Know What to Throw (KWTT) Campaign MVPs (April 2022– June 2022)











| | Impressions/ Reach | Engagements | | Impressions | Engagements | | Impressions | Engagements |
|-----------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Facebook | 1,347 Reach | 39 | Facebook | 1,214 Reach | 44 | Facebook | 1,290 Reach | 30 |
| Instagram | 48 Impressions | 1 | Instagram | 40 Impressions | 0 | Instagram | 50 Impressions | 6 |
| Twitter | 402 Impressions | 7 | Twitter | 403 Impressions | 5 | Twitter | 299 Impressions | 4 |

NCTCOG's Regionwide Promotion of KWTT

- Promoting KWTT throughout region with various media from fall 2022 – winter 2023
- Excellent opportunity for your entity to leverage this promotion and share messaging. KWTT Campaign deliverables can be found HERE.
- Questions?



NCTCOG KNOW WHAT TO THROW AMPLIFICATION KIT

TO PROMOTE RECYCLING EFFORTS



Them) Read more: http://bit.ly/2JAF4yQ





Working Group Session (10 minutes)

- Developing Content for KWTT Posts in August and September
 - 2 Working Groups Each group will receive one month

| Do Recycle |
|---|
| Plastic Bottles Aluminum Co Glass Bottles |

| Month | Do Recycle | Do NOT Recycle | | |
|-----------|------------|---|-----------|--|
| September | Paper | Takeout Containers, Plastic Utensils, and Plastic Bags | Elenc | |



NCTCOG Updates

- a. NCTCOG's Trash Free Texas Project
 - Follow and share posts from Trash Free Texas on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!
- b. State of Texas Alliance for Recycling's (STAR) <u>Two Page Summary and Recommendations</u> on the Texas Market Development Plan



Roundtable

Future Agenda Items



Next Meeting Date

Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

Location: Virtual



Join the Campaign And Help Amplify the Message

- Like and Share TimeToRecycle's posts on all social media platforms
- Create your own social media posts and tag TimeToRecycle
- Update your entity's website and link to www.TimeToRecycle.com
- Include information in newsletters and utility bill inserts
- Use customizable templates for flyers and other assets found <u>here</u>.
- Join NCTCOG's <u>Email Distribution List</u> to get updates about the campaign



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