

Bidders' Project – Waste Sorting Program

Waste diversion meets community engagement



The Bidders' Project delivers community economic development programs to provide job skills and opportunities for marginalized people in the DTES. We are currently piloting an onsite waste sorting program for local businesses and residential buildings to provide high-quality environmental stewardship of your recycling while addressing social justice concerns in the community.

A bidder member of the Bidders' Project visits your building/office weekly, ensures items are in the correct streams and picks up the refundable material. Your waste won't get recycled if it's not in the proper bin and you can face fines from municipal hauling. By participating in our Waste Sorting Program you can expand your environmental and social impact. Your participation can increase waste separation compliance and provide bidder partners with stable income, increased self-confidence and job readiness skills.

What we do:

1. **Your waste is properly separated:** We sort your bins to recycling standards, including mixed paper, newsprint, cardboard, organics, recyclable containers, glass bottles & jars and refundable bottles (except for landfill streams for health & safety reasons).
2. **Your recyclables are diverted from landfills:** Our sorting lowers contamination, which decreases landfill waste. This ensures that your hauler takes the bin's content away, and avoids extra costs due to improperly disposed items.
3. **You'll have increased room your bins and surrounding areas:** We flatten boxes and bulky items, and take away bottles and cans so you have more room for other waste.
4. **Your bottle deposits go straight to your bidder:** Your bidder takes away containers by foot, cart or bicycle to local depots for recycling. This means no transportation footprint on the environment and extra income for someone in need.
5. **You support bidders as valued members of our community:** By paying your bidder for their time and expertise, you are helping them make a reliable, safe and legal livelihood - all while contributing to an inclusive, greener city.

\$60 per week*

We ask for a minimum commitment of 3-months to keep administrative costs low and to guarantee a recurrent income for the bidders.

Options for payment include quarterly or monthly billing.

*for up to **6** recycling bins per week

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