

Let's Get to Yes!

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Plan smart. Recycle more. Waste less.



Now is the time for action

- We are in a solid waste crisis
- Current fragmented system = higher costs and less control
- This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to fix it together

If we don't act now, the market will decide for us.

Why is change necessary?

- Overreliance on landfills and waste-to-energy (WTE)
- Limited capacity = rising costs
- Cities negotiating alone = less leverage, more risk
- Long-term economic impact if we stay fragmented
- Our recycling rate is low and continuing to decrease
- We can extract value from our waste stream by recovering materials that can be reused locally

Doing nothing is the most expensive

A photograph of four women of diverse backgrounds, all wearing green t-shirts and blue gloves, working together to plant a young tree in a grassy field. They are focused on the task, with one woman holding the tree steady while the others work on the soil around its base. The background is a soft-focus green field.

Strength in Unity

- Combined buying power = lower, stable pricing
- “Most favored nation” pricing for all members
- Protection from market spikes
- Long-term control of our financial future

Unity is our strongest cost-control

Big Impact. Minimal Cost.

- Average home impact \$0.24/month
- Decreased dependency on landfilling and WTE
- Long-term cost stability
- Continuous recycling education programs
- Convenient recycling drop-off locations
- Make it easier for everyone to recycle
- Cleaner, healthier communities



Funding the Authority

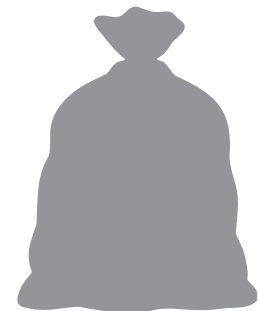
This is about stability – not new

Today:

- Each city negotiates its own rates
- Costs subject to market volatility
- Unable to control or mitigate future costs

Future:

- FY 27: Member Contribution (comparable to 2026)
- FY 28 to FY30: Surcharge \$2.22 to \$2.52/ton
- FY 31 to FY 33: Non-Ad Valorem Assessment \$2.72 to \$3.17/ton



**Single-family
home**

1.3 tons/year
estimated tons/year per
single-family home

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\$2.22/ton
surcharge per ton
in FY 2028

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\$2.89/year
(\$0.24/month)

What do you get?

- Lower processing and disposal costs
- Market protection over the long-term
- Eight new drop-off centers
- Expanded programs (food, yard, and bulk waste)
- Public education campaign

AND...

- **You maintain control of collection and your solid waste management destiny**

A few dollars today protects millions in long-term costs.

The Decision

- **Option 1:** Staying fragmented means higher costs, less control, environmentally dangerous
- **Option 2:** Joining together means lower costs, long-term stability, taking care of our environment

Vote YES! to help solve our solid waste crisis.

