

MRF Report
June 3, 2021

Aaaand Just like that we are in the thick of the summer!!!

Memorial Day kicked off the busy season for many and here at the MRF is no exception. Many of our summer residents have popped into the MRF to share winter stories and summer salutations. We continue with the day-to-day operation of the MRF; baling plastics, cardboard etc as well as cleaning and office work. We are getting quite a good response from residents regarding our car removal program and have even progressed into boat demolition. We continue to alleviate the clutter by smashing and transporting everything to where it needs to go. With the amount of house cleanings, house building and house demolitions happening, We are always on the go go GO!

In the coming month, we will be working on MRF beautification including some flowers and light painting. We are working on clarifying recycling parameters for our new customers including the importance of presorting and answering the eternal question that has plagued us all for years now: "Is this Number 1 Plastic or Is it Number 2??" **FUN FACT: Its takes roughly one garbage can of contaminated recycling for processors to throw away an entire bale of recycling. Example: 1 garbage can of #1 Plastic (about 10 lbs) being inadvertently dumped into #2 Barrel, will cause a processor to dump a 1200lb bale of recycling into the landfill. Hence the importance of customers to pay attention to the signage and presort!!** Will Update on the progress.

Doing more research on the national trend to eliminate single use plastic bottles via the "Break Free From Plastic Pollution Act" that is currently in Congress as well as support for the extended producer responsibility (EPR) legislation that is being kicked around at the State level.

The first day of the Island Closet was on June 2nd and it was met with much enthusiasm from our patrons! We are very excited with our partnership with St. Johns and Manager Gwen Smith Patterson at being able to upcycle household items and materials that would normally end up in the landfill. Good Job and Congratulations to all involved!!

Respectfully Submitted,

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"We Crush It Every Day!"

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