

**Don't call it Solid Waste**

City of Monterey

# Fix Your Contracts *FAST*

- \$\$\$ wasted by slow modification process
- Watch out! More report\$ & technical requirement\$ = higher contract cost\$
- Look at common practices in local material hauling and copy that system
- Monitor your container levels weekly & adjust contract ASAP



# Look at What You Generate



- Important exercise
- Never ASSUME you know what comes in and goes out of your facility
- Big Waste Generator – Personnel Move-ins & Move-outs
- Make intelligent decisions on FACTS

# Reduce First



- Reduce your material generation
- You save \$\$\$ reducing paper usage
- You save \$\$\$ by not land filling
  - What is most land filled? Find ways to reduce that item or ways for it to be reused

# Find Ways to Reuse or Donate

- Write it in your contracts to recycle **CARDBOARD, CONCRETE, FURNITURE** and more
- Food facilities: Find ways to eliminate wasteful food preparation
- Organize neighborhood ‘garage’ sales
- Set up a **THRIFT** store on base



# LAST Option ~ Recycle

- K I S S ~ Keep It Simple
- Use graphics – Not Words



# Recycle With Color

- Consistently use a color to demonstrate recycling (BLUE is preferable)



# Outreach



- Educate ASAP & frequently ~ such as at orientation meetings
- Educate Military AND Civilians
- Have contests for best recyclers!
- Target commissaries and exchanges (big waste generators)
- Remember: They haven't a clue how to recycle in your facility! Make it easy to understand