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Zero Waste Subcommittee Reuse in the Community Options March 30, 2021

Historical

- Established Industry
- Economic Value
- Charitable Value
- Only Recently Have Environmental Issues Been Recognized



Recognizing the Value of Reuse

Greenhouse Gas Reduction

> Apparel and Footwear Account for 8%-10% of GHG Worldwide

Tipping Fee Reduction

Community Saves Landfill Fees When Donations are Made



Industry Challenges

- 1. Space Availability
- 2. Financing Growth
- 3. Vehicles & Equipment



Challenge #1: Space Availability

- Space Allows for Greater Selection, Better Material Management
- Ability to Hold on to Slower Selling Materials
- Results in More Sales





Challenge #1: Space Availability

OPTIONS: FUNDING THROUGH

- Government Provided Long-Term
- Government Provided Short-Term
- Government Provided Funding for Purchase or Rental of Space





Challenge #2: Financing for Growth

- First Priority is to Fund Mission
- Second Priority is Salaries and Overhead
- Growth and Expansion Requires
 Capital & Effort



Challenge #2: Financing for Growth

OPTIONS: PROVIDE GRANTS/LOANSTHROUGH

- Added Surcharge to Tipping Fees
- Added to County Tax Assessment
- Funds from Solid Waste Fees



Challenge #3:Vehicles & Equipment

- Collection Capacity Adds to Ability to Collect Material
- Delivery Capabilities



Challenge #3: Vehicles & Equipment

OPTIONS:

- Allow for Acquisition through Grants/Loans
- Provide for Preferred Access to Government Surplus Equipment
- Provide Surplus Equipment Free of Charge

Thank You.