



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
**SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT**

DEPARTMENT PROFILE

The Solid Waste Management Department (the 'SWMD' or the 'Department') serves approximately 363,000 single-family San Antonio households, employs 773 individuals, and manages two major funds: (i.) the Solid Waste Operating and Maintenance Fund which was \$130.1 million in FY 2020, and; (ii.) the Fleet Services Fund which was \$19.9 million.

The SWMD is responsible for the collection of municipal solid waste generated by its customers, the residents of the City of San Antonio (the 'City'). Primary collection services include: (i.) weekly curbside collection of residential garbage, recyclables, and organics; (ii.) semi-annual residential collection of brush and bulky items, and; (iii.) other services by request. Additionally, the Department: (i.) administers the City's household hazardous waste (HHW) programs; (ii.) monitors and maintains closed City landfills; (iii.) operates two brush recycling centers; (iv.) operates four bulky waste Drop-Off Centers; (v.) provides dead animal collection, and; (vi.) services downtown litter baskets.

Supplemental services by request include out of cycle collections, special leaf collections, and a collection assistance service for customers with physical challenges. To support neighborhood clean-up efforts, community organizations can request large containers through the Dial-a-Trailer (DAT) program. Quarterly, the Department sponsors free landfill days to provide more opportunities for residents to conveniently and safely dispose of their solid waste. Assistance is provided as needed for severe weather clean-up, illegal dumping, and recycling at some of San Antonio's larger city-wide special events. The Department also has Community Outreach and Commercial Recycling divisions.

The Solid Waste Operating and Maintenance Fund is an enterprise fund, requiring that the services provided to the customers are supported by fees charged to the customers for those services, making the fund self-supporting. The majority of its revenue is from the Solid Waste Fee and the Environmental Fee, both of which are placed on a customer's monthly CPS Energy bill. Additional revenues are derived from waste hauler permit fees, brush recycling fees, and the sale of mulch and recyclable materials. This fund receives no funding from any taxes.

The Fleet Services Fund is an internal services fund. The Department is responsible for the maintenance and repair of 2,063 heavy equipment vehicles for various City Departments. In this role, the Department ensures that vehicles are kept operational and ready for use throughout the City by using an integrated and programmatic service delivery approach.