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Reduce, Recycle, Reuse: Marin's Response to Refuse ***Achieving Zero Waste Goals***

San Rafael, CA – Marin is on a mission: Slash the amount of trash headed to landfills to zero. When it comes to earth-friendly living, Marin is famous for showing the nation how it's done. Did you know your computer can help you recycle? With just the click of a mouse, you can learn to delete your disposables greenly and cost-effectively.

It's MarinRecycles.org

The Goal: To achieve 80% waste reduction by the end of 2012, and zero waste by 2025. It's a big job, but the Marin Hazardous and Solid Waste Joint Powers (JPA) with representatives from all areas of Marin make it easy for county residents and businesses to accomplish this goal.

First, the JPA and Member Agencies focused on completing the [Zero Waste Feasibility Study](#) in 2009. This established programs and policies strengthening the region's framework for meeting the Zero Waste goal.

Second, a Zero Waste Toolkit describes specific programs and policies Member Agencies can take in order to meet the Zero Waste goals.

For fiscal year 2011-2012, \$245,111 in grants has been budgeted and is being allocated to municipalities - such as the County of Marin - on a per capita basis. The grants fund implementation of the Tool Kit programs and other Zero Waste efforts. You can learn about the efforts of your local jurisdictions' efforts and the collaboration of Member Agencies, such as your local refuse service providers, [here](#). Have questions? Send an email to info@marinrecycles.org.

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