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NOVEMBER 2, 2019: CITY OF GONZALES LITTER ABATEMENT EVENT REPORT

The four-hour downtown Gonzales litter abatement event took place as planned and was staffed by a total of 20 volunteers supporting the Gonzales High School ASB class. This event resulted in a total of 80 volunteer hours for the event work period.

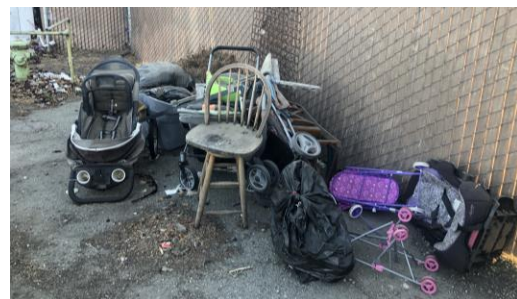


The team met at Central Park to focus on removing litter from streets, alleyways, planter, and rain gutter areas covering the entire downtown area from streets A through 10, Alta through Elko, and all the way down Fifth Street into the highway commercial shopping district. The youth collected 240 pounds of micro-trash, litter, and illegal dumping left or blown to these locations.

Most of the items collected were found in street rain gutters, alleyways, and planting areas. The collection was composed of items such as cigarette butts, candy wrappers, drink pouch straws, coffee cup lids, paper napkins, chip bags, fast food catsup packets, plastic bottle caps and the like. The illegal dumping spot at the end of Belden Street was heavily loaded with items ranging from baby gear to household items (including two water heaters, two microwaves, and a mattress spring). We notified Gonzales Public Works of the issue as we were not able to fit all of the illegally dumped items in the truck. We suspect that the water heaters and microwaves may have come from a recent renovation from an adjacent apartment complex.



The ASB class volunteers should be commended for their community service, which was completed with an attitude of enthusiasm and a glad heart. Tri-Cities Disposal & Recycling would like to thank Monterey County Environmental Health providing the landfill voucher for disposal.



Tri-Cities Disposal & Recycling Service will provide a donation of \$500 for this community service to the group.

Respectfully submitted,

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