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Tom Parola, Tri-Cities Disposal & Recycling and the Soledad City Council, via email, through the office of the City Manager

Re: 2022 City of Soledad Mayor's Neighborhood Beautification Event

The City of Soledad and Tri-Cities Disposal & Recycling hosted a special cleanup event on Saturday, April 16, 2022. This event was the second annual "Mayor's Beautification Initiative" neighborhood cleanup event. This event is in addition to the two community-wide Reuse, Recycle & Cleanup Day events held each year. The event flyer is included in this report.

These neighborhood-based events were created to assist residents in disposing of excess trash and recycling bulky items, electronic waste, mattresses, and special hazardous wastes. This year's event covered residential households between West and East streets and Front and North streets. The event was held on Main Street between Market and Monterey streets.

Before the event, the Soledad High School NJROTC and adult supporters distributed door-to-door event flyers containing a disposal voucher for the targeted households. During the event, Mayor Velazquez used her pickup truck to transport heavy items for veterans, senior citizens, and those with disabilities who had requested assistance.





The volunteer team maintained a safe environment for themselves and the event participants. Neighborhood residents expressed gratitude that the event was held close to home. The event organizing team found that having these events on neighborhood streets running east to west allows for a full-block area street closure with a minimal impact on travelers within the community.

Due to the limited availability of professional staff, the only date available for this event in April was Easter Saturday. The day started with rain, which may have

kept some neighbors from participating. To increase participation in the future, TCDR will now incorporate this event into the Salinas Valley Recycles hazardous waste team's regional event calendar for 2023. This will allow us to select a more suitable date for an event in coordination with Earth Day activities.

Thanks to all who participated and everyone for working so hard!

Event Diversion:

Total Tonnage: 5.64 tons Recyclables: 3.55 tons Trash: 2.09 tons

Diversion Rate: 63%

Trash 2.09 tons

Appliances & Refr/Frezr 1.38 tons (est) 20 pieces

Metal 1.44 tons E-waste 0.49 tons

Mattresses 275 lbs 5 pieces Special Wastes (ABOP*) 210 lbs +10 sharps containers

Respectfully submitted,

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^{*}ABOP=Antifreeze, Batteries, Oil & Paint (does not include sharps containers)