# MassDEP SWAC Meeting RecyclingWorks in Massachusetts

# **FISCAL YEAR 2018 SUMMARY**





## **RECYCLINGWORKS IN MASSACHUSETTS**

- Free Assistance for businesses and institutions
  - Online Resources
  - Email and Phone Hotline
  - Technical Assistance
  - Events and Workshops
- Funded by MassDEP, delivered under contract by the Center for EcoTechnology







## **FISCAL YEAR 2018 OVERVIEW**



- 2,100 new tons of material diverted from disposal
- Direct assistance to 1,500 businesses
- 41 speaking engagements with over 1,200 attendees
- 88,000 visits to www.recyclingworksma.com



Link to FY18 Annual Report: recyclingworksma.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/RW-FY18-Year-End-Report-FINAL.pdf



#### WASTEWISE 2017 FALL FORUM AT WESTIN BOSTON WATERFRONT

#### Donating Surplus Prepared Food and Source Reduction of Food Waste







### WASTEWISE 2018 SPRING FORUM AT COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS

Material Quality and Contamination Reduction at MRFs and Corporate/Institutional Office Furniture and Equipment Reuse







### BOSTON WESTIN WATERFRONT HOTEL CASE STUDY

#### **Hotel Waste Diversion**

- Single stream recycling in the lobby, common areas and guest rooms
- Divert food scraps to Boston CoRE facility
- Waste diversion cut average
   monthly disposal costs over 1/3rd
- 757 tons of waste diverted in 2017





#### Video and Written Case Study:

youtu.be/MmycLSVVswM recyclingworksma.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Boston-Westin-Written-Case-Study.pdf



## **FOOD DONATION CASE STUDY**

#### Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel & Whole Foods Market in Medford

- Partnerships with Rescuing Leftover Cuisine and Food Link
- Surplus food donated includes
   prepared food





#### Video and Written Case Study:

youtu.be/PIU8VduCGiA recyclingworksma.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Food-Donation-Case-Study.pdf



## **SOURCE REDUCTION GUIDANCE**

- Waste Tracking
- Meal Planning
- Food Purchasing and Procurement
- Reduction Strategies
- Surplus Food After Source
   Reduction





**Best Management Practices Guidance Document:** recyclingworksma.com/source-reduction-guidance/



#### CORPORATE/INSTITUTIONAL OFFICE FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT REUSE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

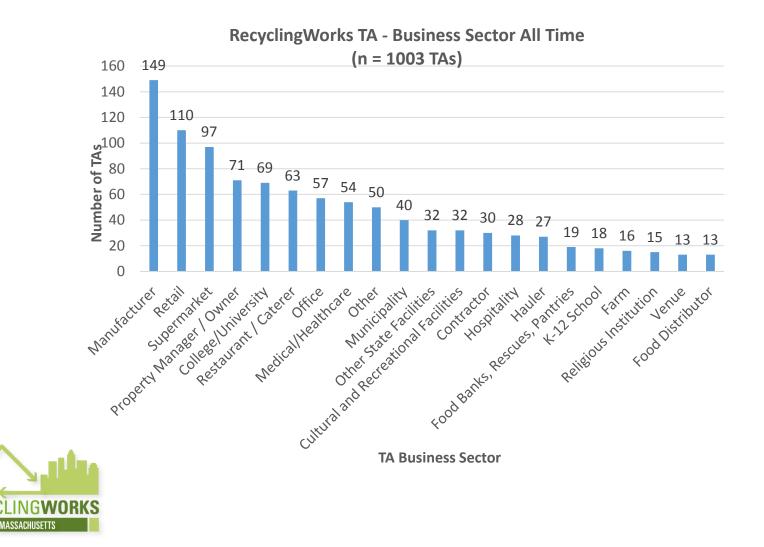
- RecyclingWorks developing guidance document
- Stakeholder meetings in FY18
- Currently drafting document to be circulated for comment and posted in FY19







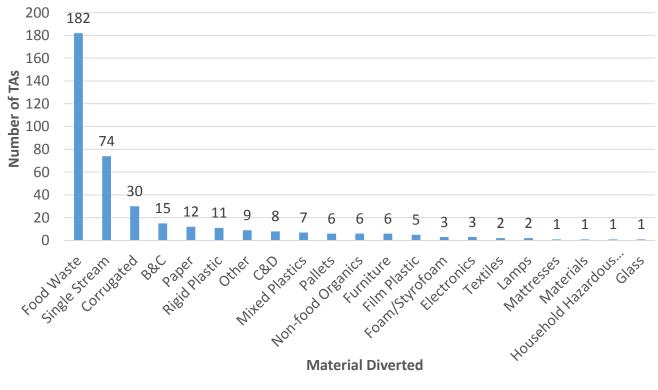
#### RECYCLINGWORKS TA – BUSINESS SECTORS





#### RECYCLINGWORKS TA – MATERIALS DIVERTED

**RecyclingWorks TA - Materials All Time (n = 298 TAs)** 







## THE GREEN TEAM

- Environmental education
   program for MA Schools
  - $\circ$  Resources
  - Lesson plans
  - Free recycling equipmentRecognition and prizes
- Sponsored by MassDEP, delivered by the Center for EcoTechnology







### CAFETERIA SOURCE SEPARATION INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEO

- Posted May 2018
- Features Four Corners
   Elementary School in Greenfield
   and Northfield Elementary School
   in Northfield
- How to collect recycling, liquids, food scraps, and trash
- Tips on training, signage, and containers







#### MOUNT ALVERNIA ACADEMY IN BOSTON







#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### 2018 Fall WasteWise Forum November 8 at E. L. Harvey & Sons

2019 College & University Forum March 7 at Wellesley College







## **QUESTIONS?**

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