

GOOD PRACTICES IN WASTE REDUCTION

Nº.	Section	Description
0.	Activity title	COMPOST BINS AND SADECO'S LITTLE GARDEN TO REDUCE ORGANIC WASTE
1.	Photograph	
2.	Bidders/Tenderers [E1]	E.M.Sanitation Córdoba- Ayuntamiento de Córdoba
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4.	Useful links	www.sadeco.es
5.	Starting date	Year 2001-2017
6.	State of the art activities	Continuous improvement
7.	Location	CORDOBA
8.	Inhabitants in the area	32.000 (year 2015)
9.	Description of the activity	
	<p><u>Origin:</u></p> <p>Giving a new use to waste produced also reduces this waste. The organic portion of waste in a rubbish bag also represents almost half of the weight of the total amount of waste that we throw into the rubbish.</p> <p>Sadeco is committed to a correct separation in order to be able to make compost from this waste, so that they can return the organic matter to our soil, because there is a lot of land with a deficit, and so they close the cycle. That is why compost bins are being distributed in educational centres, and social areas, for making compost and for the educational project "The Little Garden." Where pupils and students see the complete waste cycle, from waste production, separation, composting and the use of compost for plants in the vegetable garden.</p> <p><u>Development and Timescale:</u></p> <p>In 2017 the "The Little Garden" project began where 20 reused containers were distributed for small gardens, in 2018 they were given 20 compost bins where pupils in 20 schools used planting techniques, with the help of the use of compost obtained from waste in Sadeco's Environmental Complex.</p> <p>In 2017 a new cooperation began with the Cordoba Prison Centre and associations in the distribution of compost bins so that they can be used to make compost and fertilise the vegetable gardens.</p> <p>This 2018 the distribution of smaller compost bins are also going to be distributed to schools that are participating in the Little Garden, in order to completely close the waste cycle as an awareness and educational activity.</p> <p><u>Actors involved:</u></p> <p>Educational Centres, associations, Cordoba Prison Centre.</p> <p><u>Legal framework:</u></p> <p>Municipal By-Laws for Public Hygiene.</p> <p><u>Financial framework:</u> (Costs of activities, activity revenues (if any), finance model/s used)</p> <p>The Project including all the compost bins and container for Little Gardens for 20 schools and educational talks in collaborating centres have an approximate cost of 12,000 Euros.</p> <p>Self financing.</p>	
10.	Results	
	<p><u>Proven results (through indicators):</u></p> <p>20 schools and Cordoba prison centre are trained for the recycling of waste by making compost from organic matter.</p> <p><u>Possible success factors:</u></p>	

	<p>Cooperation of educational centres and learning through hands-on school activities.</p> <p><u>Main difficulties found:</u></p> <p>Difficulty of sufficient space in some schools. Difficulty of organic waste management for some school leaders.</p>
11.	Main lessons learnt from the activity
	<p>Learning from an early age about respecting the environment and about what community compost making is, through close hands-on work, is fundamental in making a population aware and willing to cooperate.</p> <p>The participation of the educational community must be reflected in ongoing programmes, with the support of the municipal authorities and be part of the school curriculum.</p>
12.	<p>Additional information</p>