

San Diego Reuse & Repair Network Meeting Minutes

Date: January 15, 2025, 1:00-1:30 p.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams (link below)

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Minutes

1. In Attendance:

- a. April Andrews – County of San Diego
- b. Ani Putnam – City of San Diego
- c. Lotte Phoummavong – Goodwill Industries of San Diego & Imperial County (GISD)
- d.

2. SDRRN Projects:

- a. Nothing was discussed/reported.

3. San Diego Fix-It-Clinics:

- a. City of San Diego doing a great job promoting events.
- b. Clinic will be held on 3/15/25 at the Malcom X library.

4. Zero Waste Symposium:

- a. City of SD Jeremy Bower (Director) is presenting about the process the city is going through regarding measure B. Ed Baskin speaking about compost procurement/events, and recycling containers at city parks.
- b. 180 people registered for the symposium.
- c. People can register at the door for an extra fee.
- d. Keynote speaker is from Dr. Bronners.
- e. Program can be found on the ZWSD website.

5. Roundtable:

- a. GISD events starting 2/25 - eventful year.
 - i. E-waste events with Kaiser are being planned.
 - ii. Testing technology to scan textiles to determine what materials they are made of and the percentages.
- b. City of SD training/hiring freeze so limited participation at ZW symposium & CRRA.

Mission Statement

The San Diego ReUse and Repair Network will promote reuse and repair as an adjunct to recycling, and as an alternative to landfilling throughout the San Diego region. We will support reuse- and repair-related industries and help create an

infrastructure by 1) sharing information and best practices, 2) facilitating a network for businesses and non-profits for collaborations, and 3) educating and engaging our members and the general public to utilize and advocate reuse and repair.

Current Goals & Objectives

- Create and expand the repair and recycling/reuse databases we have put in place
- Promote repair and recycling/reuse businesses, practices, and informational databases
- Educate non-profits and thrift organizations on ways to find markets for goods they previously landfilled
- Sponsor and attend events to engage the public and various sectors in reuse/repair activities and mindsets
- Encourage co-location of reuse and repair industries to create synergies and ease of access