

## San Diego Reuse & Repair Network Meeting Minutes

**Date:** July 16, 2025, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams (link below)

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## Agenda

1. **Attendees:** Karen Clay-I Love to Glean, Lotte Phoummavong-Goodwill Industries of San Diego County, Manuel Medrano-City of Chula Vista, Randal Sollinger-City of San Diego, Laura Luxemburg-Ssubi is Hope
2. **County of San Diego - Environmentally Preferable Procurement:** No new updates reported.
3. **City of Chula Vista's Reuse Center:** The city of Chula Vista received a grant from CalRecycle to open a reuse center for paint and other Household Hazardous (HHW) items at the City's HHW facility. The facility became operational in March of 2025. A storage container already owned by the city was painted and reused to house the reuse center. Shelves were purchased to store the material taken from the waste stream. The city updated their agreement with Paint-Care to allow for reuse. The center is open to the public on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The city will do a cost savings analysis in a few years.
4. **San Diego Fix-It-Clinics:** Zero Waste San Diego (ZWSD) partnered with the city of Chula Vista in July for a textile repair clinic. The event featured a successful clothing exchange and a presentation on fast fashion. The event was highlighted on the ZWSD Instagram page. A Halloween costume themed clothing exchange is being planned for October. On June 21, 2025, the city of San Diego partnered with ZWSD to hold a clinic at the Golden Hill recreation center. The city is renewing their contract with ZWSD so they can hold future clinics in each council district.
5. **Roundtable:** I Love to Glean is looking for locations in the south county to collect clothing donations for flood victims.

There is renewed interest in the Binational Committee and cross border donations. The committee is looking for a non-profit partner that can provide administrative assistance and solicit donations to cover the cost of transporting donations into Mexico.

## **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