## Know What Type of Waste You Generate



Bring all the players - aboard - They all need to buy in and have ownership of the program



# Set-up Recycling Programs

Based on Materials in Your Waste Stream and Facility Logistics

#### COMMUNICATE

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- Track Recycling Program Status and Changes
- Keep Track of Issues and Resolve
- Share success
- Amend as Needed

### Maximize Recycling Potential

- If your waste stream is dominated by one or two specific materials you may want to explore options for:
- Reducing the amount of that material you generate.
- Explore options for marketing that material separately from other recyclables – especially if that material has high value recycling markets (e.g. high grade white office paper etc.)

#### Keeping High Grade White Paper Separate

Because.....

- We generate lots of high grade white paper (which we will try to reduce)
- We don't want to downgrade the quality of the high grade white paper by mixing it together with other paper or with bottles, cans, paper.
- High grade white paper is a higher value material and maintains its value in times of reduced demand
- The quality of paper collected for recycling is going to become more important as it starts to compete with paper collected in recycling programs in China and India.

#### Exploring Options for Recycling High Grade White Office Paper Separately

- DEEP is Exploring More Desirable Contract Options for Keeping High Grade White Office Paper Separate from Other Recyclables.
- If other Hartford Agencies are Interested in Joining with DEEP in this Effort – Economies of Scale May Result in More Favorable Pricing



#### Our Current Contract for Bottle, Can, Paper Recycling and Trash Pickup



**Building Manager** 

At 79 Elm St. our Recycling and Trash Pickup is Managed through the Building Manager

State agencies can also use <u>DAS</u> <u>Master Contract for Trash and</u> <u>Recycling</u>

However, we are keeping our high grade office paper separate in anticipation of a contract for recycling that paper separately.

### Explore Options for Recycling Unique Materials



# Examples of Other Recyclable Material at 79 Elm Street (beyond bottles, cans, paper)

- Industry Sponsored Recycling Programs
  - Rechargeable Batteries –Call2Recycle –free <u>http://www.call2recycle.org/</u>
  - Inkjet Cartridges Staples Picks-up Free From DEEP Central Warehouse in West Hartford
  - Toner Cartridges Some free thru Staples, some returned free with shipping label to manufacturer recycling service.
  - Tyvek Envelopes Mail-in Waste Management & Dupont Tyvek (small fee)- <u>http://recycletyvek.wm.com/products.cfm</u>
- Programs through Building Manager and/or DAS contracts
  - Fluorescent Lamps (Contract through Building Manager) <u>http://www.biznet.ct.gov/SCP\_Search/ContractDetail.aspx?ID=5441</u>
  - Computer Recycling (DAS Contract)http://www.biznet.ct.gov/SCP\_Search/ContractDetail.aspx?ID=5664 http://www.biznet.ct.gov/SCP\_Documents/Results/5664/008\_0279.pdf
  - Cell Phones (DAS State Surplus Property Distribution Phones wiped clean and auctioned )
- Miscellaneous exploring options for recycling:
  - Alkaline Batteries
  - CDs, DVDs, etc. -