

Project Objective(s):

To demonstrate a low-cost, shared trash bin collection program. Huslia wanted to evaluate whether a collection program in conjunction with community education/outreach can reduce regular trash burn barrel use by community residents. Design and build inexpensive locally constructed trash bins.

Results:

- 60% of households have signed up for collection service.
- Collection fees are being paid.
- 20 trash bins were built.

Benefits:

- Less barrel burning of trash so community health is better protected.
- Community-service utility established.
- Two local jobs created- one for making the bins and one for trash collection
- Successful community-support incentive.

Lessons Learned:

- Need to place trash bins most convenient for customers.
- When service was stopped due to vehicle breakdown, barrel burning increased again.
- Need to have a backup plan when vehicles breakdown.
- Need to find innovative and fun ways to encourage service payments.
- Squirrels like to chew into trash bags.

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Trash Collection Program



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Project Timeline

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