



Sustainable Fairfield Task Force  
FOOD and WASTE subcommittee meeting  
**MINUTES: June 7, 2024**

**It was agreed to take JULY off, so no meeting in July – Next meeting will be AUGUST 2**

**Recycling and Waste Actions:**

- a. Glass Recycling and Food waste Recycling expansion / Tables at Farmers market – It was agreed to send out the Sign-up genius to get additional Volunteers.
- b. Next steps on ASP - No action this month.
- c. OOPS stickers and Clean the Stream -No action this month.
- d. Options for more efficient Waste and recycling efforts – Exploring option to get plastic recycling at the transfer station via Trex . The town is concerned about bringing a Baler in so will explore alternate collection options.
- e. School recycling initiatives / Green team - green teams have rolled out food waste recycling to all 11 elementary schools and will include 6<sup>th</sup> grades next year. In the fall, the contract with All American waste is up for renewal and hopefully the schools will see a reduction in Trash costs now that Food waste is being hauled separately . Priorities for next year are EV buses, Classroom recycling and a school sustainability plan.
- f. Beach litter – Mary is working with a group to explore options to pick up litter at various parks and open spaces.
- g. Other recycling opportunities and upcycle programs – Parks and Rec suggested that SFTF might want to staff the waste stations at the youth football leagues which often end up with mixed recycling and trash at the end of both practices and games.
- h. Zero waste events - A group is working with Parks and Rec to get volunteers to staff several of the Family events; Sand Jam movie night to help educate residents on how to recycle food waste and other trash.

**2. Food Actions:**

- a. SNAP at farmer's market. – No action this month
- b.** Flash Food - Stop and Shop - request to promote on social media.
- c. Refill program. – One of the interns is working on getting a list of coffee shops to approach
- d. Meatless meals - Request to promote on social media.