

Case Study: Buzz Mill Coffee

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- Jason Sabala | Founder & Chief of Culture at Buzz Mill Coffee



SUSTAINABLE PARTNERSHIP MADE SIMPLE

As municipalities and local governments encourage - and even require - restaurants, the service industry and the hospitality trade to compost and recycle, Texas Disposal Systems (TDS) serves as the leading company to help those businesses minimize their waste footprints in Central Texas.

Because of TDS' long history of recycling, composting, and environmental preservation, Buzz Mill Coffee, a full-service bar and coffee shop with multiple locations, picked TDS to be their exclusive waste provider.

"We chose to go with TDS because we want to be as green and sustainable as possible," said Jason Sabala, founder and chief of culture at Buzz Mill Coffee. "Choosing the partnership with TDS was very simple."

TDS keeps Buzz Mill Coffee sustainable by utilizing three streams of waste, including composting, recycling and solid waste. The composting and recycling programs help Buzz Mill Coffee stay compliant with Austin's Universal Recycling Ordinance (URO), which requires businesses to minimize the amount of waste that ends up in the landfill.

WASTE EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND REPORTING

In addition to offering composting and recycling in its three waste streams, TDS assists businesses such as Buzz Mill Coffee with signage for staff and customers, educational training for sorting, diversion reporting, government compliance and assistance with annual diversion planning.

When it comes to sustainable waste stream practices, TDS is one of the best in Central Texas. Since TDS took on its first service industry customer more than 40 years ago, TDS has been an innovator in keeping materials away from the landfill.

In 2017, TDS diverted more than 471 million pounds of material away from the landfill through composting and recycling efforts. That amount of waste equates to more than one million cubic yards, or the size of 157,000 Olympic-sized swimming pools.