



**“LANDFILLED” DISCUSSION SERIES  
PUBLIC FEEDBACK**

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**As we watch landfill space disappear and consider the possibility of trash costs escalating, what actions do you think we should be taking now?**

- Burn solid waste to produce energy
- Located more Landfills, but not near me
- Paying for landfills should be equitable
- Haul trash to outlying areas like Sedalia
- Open recycling facilities to divert trash
- More educational programs aimed at reducing volume
- Educate the people through fliers in utility bills
- Allow more rock quarries that can be converted to landfills
- Create a market for recycled items collected from trash pickup
- Incentivize communities to accept landfills in their jurisdictions
- Reducing packaging through incentives and penalties
- Generate income through creative means

**What is the most inconvenient thing about recycling?**

- Hauling recyclables to recycling centers
- Lack of centers
- Lack of motivation
- Single stream recycling reduces motivation to separate recyclables

**What issues regarding landfills and climate change will be facing our children and grandchildren in 30-50 years? What is our obligation to them?**

- Increasing costs
- Create a market for selling waste to recyclers
- Create a statewide recycling industry driven by fees and deposits
- Increasing trash collection rates will lead to illegal dumping

**What would your ideal recycling system look like?**

- Incinerate all trash
- Provide tax incentives for manufacturers to become greener
- Pay consumers for their trash – raw material for processing
- Reduce and reuse waste
- Recycle organic as well as inorganic waste