

WASTE MANAGEMENT & RECYCLING COMMITTEE  
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*Draft mission statement:*

Reduce green house gases by conserving energy and reducing the amount and toxicity of waste by modifying collection, processing and management practices.

*Draft strategy:*

The County is already engaged in strategies to reduce greenhouse gas formation. Furthering those efforts in collaboration with DEP requirements will reduce potential green house gas emissions.

Suggestions discussed:

Promote source reduction and waste reduction

Encourage the development of trash service programs for all residents, businesses and institutions.

Encourage the concept of single hauler contracting for residential service within a municipality

Develop a no burning policy for the County

Encourage the development of recycling service for all residents, businesses, institutions, parks, entertainment and community events according to Act 101 and municipal ordinances

Encourage the recycling of additional items as markets become available

Encourage the purchase of products made from recycled materials

Encourage all municipalities to participate in a Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program and increase the number of disposal opportunities

Make [www.chestercountyswa.org](http://www.chestercountyswa.org) the official County waste reduction/recycling website

Expand the “re-use” resource list.

Promote County-wide yard waste collection

Encourage the development of a waste to energy plant as the long term solution for the disposal of Chester County's waste

Do not allow the unlimited collection of waste at the curb

Incorporate the use of incentives to encourage waste reduction

What's good and bad about a bottle bill.

Expand the education program utilizing "best practices", modeling ideal programs and identifying audiences in an effort to change behavior

Identify steps to improve the data collection system