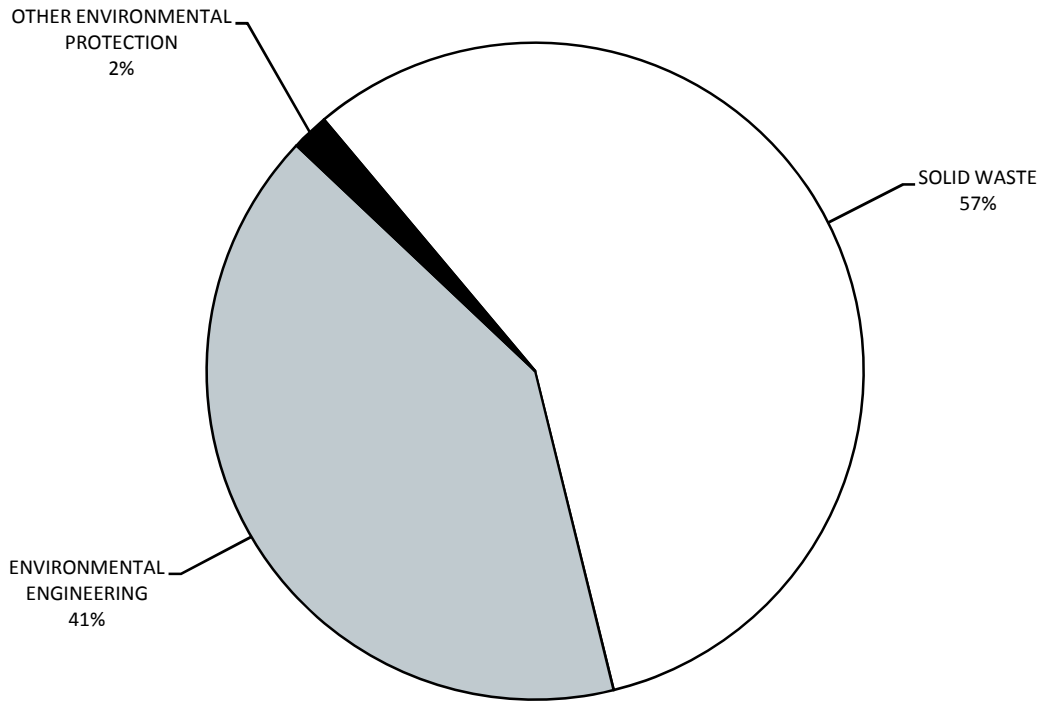


Environmental Protection Approved Budget



Business area	2007-2008 Actual Expenditures	2008-2009 Original Budget	2008-2009 12 Month Estimate	2009-2010 Department Requested	2008-2009 Commissioner Approved
SOLID WASTE	\$ 1,894,282	\$ 2,049,895	\$ 2,029,118	\$ 1,957,652	\$1,983,811
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING	\$ 1,280,811	\$ 1,678,323	\$ 1,642,964	\$ 1,320,806	\$1,416,843
OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$ 44,373	\$ 64,852	\$ 64,852	\$ 63,661	\$63,661
Overall Result	\$ 3,219,466	\$ 3,793,070	\$ 3,736,934	\$ 3,342,119	\$ 3,464,315

GENERAL SERVICES-SOLID WASTE

MISSION

The mission of General Services is to provide quality maintenance services to our customers in a safe and cost effective manner.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The County Solid Waste Program is administered by the Department of General Services located at 310 South Dillard Street. This program consists of maintenance and operation of four residential convenience centers (Bahama, Parkwood, Redwood and Rougement); maintenance of the old county landfill on Redwood Road; countywide litter control and enforcement; scheduled community clean-up campaigns; junked and abandoned vehicles ordinance enforcement; and rental services. In addition, solid waste services include several initiatives: the use of court-appointed community service workers for supplemental labor resources and the recycling of anti-freeze, batteries and used motor oil at all convenience center locations.

2008-09 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Hosted an educational outreach session on waste reduction and recycling at the Parkwood Branch Library. (July 2008)
- Sponsored the Durham County "Recycle & Win" game night with the Durham Bulls as part of an incentive program to encourage more residents to recycle at the roadside in Durham County. (August 2008)
- Established newspaper and magazine recycling collection through the News & Observer at Durham County's North Regional and East Regional libraries.
- Distributed waste reduction and recycling information to attendees of the annual Department of Social Services Community Outreach Day, Neighbors Helping Neighbors. (August 2008)
- Presented talks on waste reduction and recycling to fifth graders at the 2008 Environmental Education Field Days. (October 2008)
- Attended a Brownfield Redevelopment Workshop in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. (August 2008)
- Appeared on the public affairs program Tar Heel People to discuss solid waste management and waste reduction and recycling issues involving Durham County and North Carolina.
- Served as a volunteer at the 2008 State Fair to monitor recycling stations for the collection of plastic bottles and aluminum cans. (October 2008)
- Partnered with Keep Durham Beautiful to sponsor a community clean up in the Greenwood Subdivision area of the county. Residential trash, bulky items, white goods and yard waste were collected. (October 2008)
- Met with members of the Durham Environmental Affairs Board to discuss waste reduction and recycling in Durham County. (October 2008)
- Placed an advertisement in the Durham Herald-Sun encouraging Durham County residents to celebrate America Recycles Day on November 15, 2008 by recycling and reducing waste every day.
- Placed an advertisement in the Durham Herald-Sun reminding Durham County residents to minimize holiday waste from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day by reducing holiday packaging, recycling and buying gifts made from recycled products. (November 2008)
- Spoke to employees at the North Carolina Museum of Life and Science about starting and maintaining a composting collection program. (December 2008)
- Collected and recycled 2,053 tons of material from four convenience sites, residential roadside and office building recycling program.
- Assisted the county's Purchasing Division with the inventory, preparation and execution of the county's 2008 surplus vehicle and property auction.
- Received 225,816 visitors to the county's four solid waste convenience centers. The breakdown by center is as follows: Bahama - 93,816; Parkwood - 28,632; Redwood - 43,032; Rougement - 60,336.
- Collected and disposed 11,635 tons of waste from county convenience centers.
- Utilized 4,812 hours of community service workers for cleaning 348 miles of county roadways, collecting office-generated recyclables and moving furniture within county buildings.
- Negotiated a 3% budget reduction in contracted services as requested by the County Manager.

