

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants Community Grant Fact Sheet

# Trujillo Alto, Puerto Rico

# **Selected Grant Recipient**

Name: Municipality of Trujillo Alto, PR Project Title: Expansion Project of the Recycling Program in Rural Areas

#### **EPA Information**

Region: EPA Region 2

# **Highlights**

- Total expected funding: \$4,000,000.
- Expands the recycling program to six neighborhoods that do not receive collection and disposal services.
- Creates 18 jobs.
- Benefits disadvantaged communities.

# **Grant Funding: \$4,000,000**

The Municipality of Trujillo Alto will aid the homes and schools of six neighborhoods of Trujillo Alto, Puerto Rico, that do not receive collection and disposal services for recyclable materials due to lack of funds, equipment, and personnel. The grant will enable the biweekly collection of organics, paper, newspaper, cardboard, aluminum, metal, and plastics by purchasing compactor trucks, green waste trucks, containers, and adding personnel to facilitate curbside collection. This project will result in the acquisition of over 18,000 recycling containers, collection of 12,000 tons of recyclable material and more than 2,000 tons of organic material.

### **SWIFR Grants for Communities**

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. SWIFR Community grant funding can be used to establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate and quality of materials collected for municipal solid waste. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to the municipality of Trujillo Alto once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

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