Environmental Programs

Mission Statement

The Office of Environmental Programs advances environmental protection and sustainability by promoting sound environmental policies and practices through leadership, education and technical and regulatory assistance. We value diversity, excellence, teamwork and innovation.

Key Services

Environmental leadership, outreach, education and training, program and project management

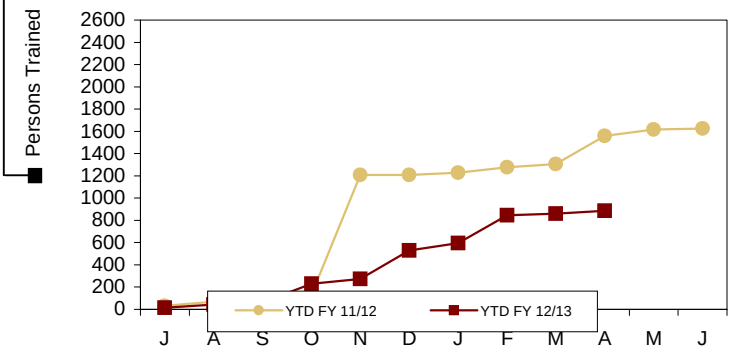
Training Completed

Target: 420 persons	YTD Total:	886

Goal:
Conduct training, outreach and education activities that foster environmental stewardship

Target:
420 city employees and consultants

Significance:
The target is based on historic data, laws and regulations, enforcement actions against the city, and environmental initiatives. Actual number of staff trained each year is impacted by department requests and staff availability.



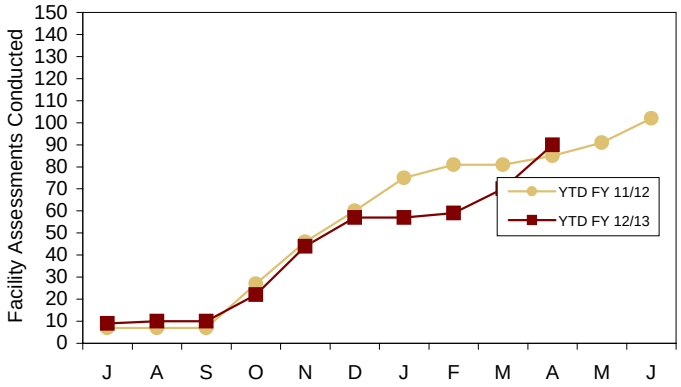
Environmental Facility Assessments

Target: 100 facilities	YTD Conducted:	90

Goal:
Conduct facility assessments to facilitate compliance and identify pollution prevention opportunities

Target:
100 facilities

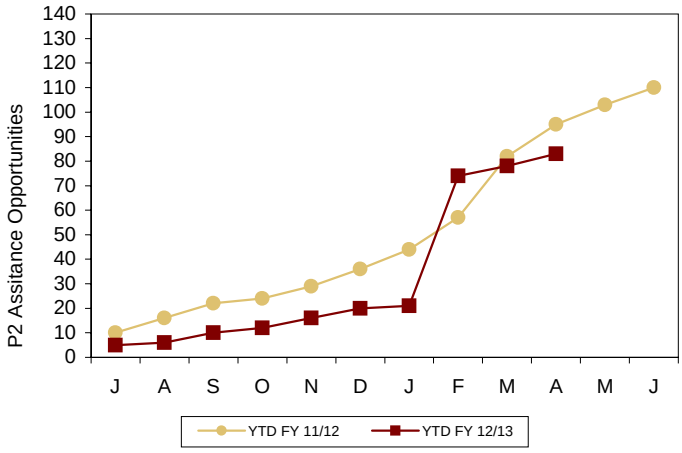
Significance:
Departments are assessed on a cyclical basis. The annual and monthly variance will depend on the amount of facilities of the department being assessed. Due to new assessment responsibilities under the stormwater compliance program, we anticipate a higher rate of performance for FY 11/12 and beyond.



P2 Assistance Opportunities

Target: 60 opportunities | **YTD Assists: 83**

Goal:
Provide innovative programs, tools and technical assistance visits to aid departments in achieving compliance and reducing environmental impacts

Target:
60 assistance opportunities

Significance:
Pollution Prevention (P2) assistance opportunities include product testing to identify green products and services, promoting resource conservation, recycling, and other projects to reduce hazardous materials use, hazardous waste generation or disposal. Technical assistance visits are conducted on an as-needed and case by case basis. One of the program's targets is reaching out to green businesses to find those who can help the city reduce its impact on the community. A major element of the vendor outreach component includes providing business referrals and connections to city departments where green products/services are most applicable Green vendors view this service as beneficial as it reduces time spent navigating through the city's purchasing process and provides them other business incentives such as connection to CED's Management Technical Assistance (MTA) program.