Fragmented Recycling

### Riverside, California

| POPULATION | 310,651 |
| RECYCLING RATE | 69% |
| RECYCLING PROGRAMS | Mandatory Single-Family Residential Recycling
Mandatory Multi-Family/Commercial Recycling
Construction & Demolition Recycling
Yard Waste Composting |
| MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS | Single-Family Residential: 70% Municipal/30% Service Contracts
Multi-Family/Commercial: Non-Exclusive Franchise |
| HIGH-ROAD ECONOMIC POLICIES | Private Franchisees and Contractors: Living Wage
Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy |

Riverside is well on its way toward achieving the state mandated 75% recycling requirement by 2020. A combination of mandates and strong franchise agreements and contracts that set service standards for the private sector has created robust recycling programs for residences, commercial establishments and institutions. Budgetary challenges have prevented the city from developing a food scrap composting program. Additionally, there are opportunities to continue to build a high-road recycling sector by expanding existing job quality standards and adopting policies that will encourage continued growth in the recycling-reliant manufacturing sector.

**Sources:**
- Interview with the Department of Public Works Recycling and Solid Waste
- Riverside Green Action Plan
- Riverside County Integrated Waste Management Plan