

REDEMPTION RECYCLING CENTERS  
IN  
THE CITY OF FRESNO



# DISTRICT ONE

Sample Recycling Center: W. Shields Ave. and N. West Ave.  
1405 W. Shields Ave, Fresno CA 93705





# DISTRICT ONE: COMPLAINTS AND CONCERNS RECEIVED BY CONSTITUENTS REQUESTING TO CLOSE RECYCLING CENTER

- NUMEROUS CALLS AND EMAILS RECEIVED
- PETITION SIGNED BY 80 RESIDENTS AND COUNTING

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August 11, 2016

Residents Petition: Shields, West, Clinton, Hughes

In care of: Fresno City Council

City of Fresno

Fresno California

Subject:

The Recycling center near the corner of West and Shields Avenues in Fresno California; we the undersigned petition that above mentioned business be moved away from our neighborhood and schools.

Reason:

Since the opening of the business we have experienced a gradual increase in crime, presence of the homeless, drug addicts, drunks, and mentally unstable individuals. Our once beautiful neighborhood is now in a fast state of decay. Our alleys and surrounding properties are used as sleeping grounds, public restrooms, and a place to use drugs. Shopping carts and City trash containers are scattered throughout the neighborhood as they're used to transport recyclables. Break ins and robberies happen too often. Our children can no longer play on the streets and are exposed to danger as they walk to and from school. Under the influence of alcohol, and drugs, mainly meth, these individuals become extremely aggressive.

The Recycle center provides a source of income for the above described individuals whom will go to any extreme to buy drugs and alcohol. This business works as a magnet as it attracts more dangerous and unstable individuals as well as drug dealers. For the sake of our children and neighborhood we petition the recycle center be moved far away from its current location.

We the undersigned agree that we have fully read, understood and agreed with the contents of the above petition.

Dropped off by Angel Gomez

CITY OF FRESNO  
AUG 15 2016  
RECEIVED BY: mo

## ION SIGNATURES

Address: 1824 W TERRACE

Phone Number 559

Date 8/12/16

Address: 1734 W. Terrace

Phone Number

Date 8/12/16

Address: 1835 W. Terrace

Phone Number

Date 8-12-2016

Address: 1601 W. Terrace

Phone Number 559/681-0412

Date 8-12-16

Address: 1823 W. Harvard

Phone Number

Date 8-12-16

Address: 1536 W. Terrace

Phone Number 559 776 5195

Date 8-12-16

Address: 1444 W. Princeton

Phone Number 559-906-8557

Date 8-12-16

W. Princeton

2961

8-14-16

W. Terrace Ave

8-14-16


W. Simpson Ave

32-6720



8-14-16




- SOCIAL MEDIA: FACEBOOK AND NEXT DOOR APP

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1 of 30 for recycling center




**PETITION TO REMOVE RECYCLING CENTER @ WEST AND SHIELDS**




**Jon Motsenbocker** 20 LEAD  
Cortland

Please take a few minutes to read and sign this petition. This is the same petition Angel Gomez has been trying to get you to come and sign. I have signed, but we need everybody to PLEASE support this petition. [https://www.change.org/p/district1-fresno-gov-remove-the-recycling-center-at-shields-and-west-ave-fresno-ca-93705?recruiter=279255396&utm\\_source=share\\_for\\_starters&utm\\_medium=copyLink](https://www.change.org/p/district1-fresno-gov-remove-the-recycling-center-at-shields-and-west-ave-fresno-ca-93705?recruiter=279255396&utm_source=share_for_starters&utm_medium=copyLink)





**District1@fresno.gov : Remove th...**  
CHANGE.ORG

Posted on 20 Aug to Cortland and 16 nearby

 Crime & Safety


1 of 2 for recycling center



over the place all night. And I can't leave them out after they pick up because all these trash pickers will do is dump more garbage in it. Ugh.

Posted on 4 Feb 15

★ THANK 3



Katherine Maxwell, Dakota/Palm/Shields/Fruit

here on dayton at thorne we do have a guy that comes over the fence to steal recycleables and whatever else is lose. cops told us they know him and are watching him but that any area near a recycle center are targets because of the proximity to the recycle center.


Posted on 4 Feb 15

★ THANK 2

Petitioning [District1@fresno.gov](mailto:District1@fresno.gov)

## Remove the Recycling Center at Shields and West Ave. Fresno, Ca 93705

[Sign this petition](#)



**Jon Motsenbocker**  
Fresno, CA

68 Supporters



- FRESNO BEE: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

AUGUST 17, 2016

2:25 PM

## Recycling center crime magnet: Help us, Esmeralda Soria



I'm glad that crime has decreased in the Tower District, however, my neighborhood has seen an increase in crime.

It is due to the recycling center on the southwest corner of West and Shields avenues. It was recently moved from the Westlan shopping center. I don't appreciate my neighborhood being stuck with this nuisance.

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I can't even pick up prescriptions at the local drug store without beggars and druggies wanting money. We have seen garbage, human waste, people digging through garbage, taking baths in our yards using our water hoses and God only knows what else they do. We want the recycling center out of our neighborhood.

So how about it, Fresno City Councilmember Esmeralda Soria, can you help us out?



# IMPACTS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

- CENTER ATTRACTS LOITERING FROM INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE THE RESIDENTIAL AREA
- ATTRACTS RECYCLING DEBRIS IN THE SHOPPING CENTER AS WELL AS NEIGHBORHOODS
- ENCOURAGES THEFT FROM CITY OF FRESNO RECYCLING BINS
- VISUAL BLIGHT IN NEIGHBORHOOD



## NEXT STEPS

- MEET WITH THE COMMUNITY TO IDENTIFY THE COMMON ISSUES AND CONCERNS
- REVISIT OF CITY ORDINANCES AND POLICIES ALLOWING RECYCLING CENTERS IN NEIGHBORHOOD ZONING
- REVIEW CITY OF FRESNO DEVELOPMENT STANDARD FOR RECYCLING CENTER PERMITS
- COORDINATE WITH DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY OFFICE TO MEET STATE RECYCLING CODES AND REDUCE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPACTS