

Murrieta Children Go Green with a Little Help from a Landfill

Children from the Boys and Girls Club of Southwest County Murrieta Clubhouse participate in summer learning about garbage and recycling

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MURRIETA, Calif.—July 14, 2015—Children from the Boys and Girls Club of Southwest County Murrieta Clubhouse took a large step towards greater environmental sustainability after a visit to the Waste Management El Sobrante Landfill earlier this month. The group toured the facility and learned about the disposal process for the City of Murrieta's garbage as part of the Club's Voyage of Discovery Summer Break Camp.

During the two-hour learning event, Waste Management staff gave the children a behind-the-scenes look at the El Sobrante Landfill's daily operations and environmental systems that protect air and water. The kids also viewed the facility's newest disposal area, which is designed to hold 7.6 million pounds of the community's refuse.

Since 1994, Waste Management has been the waste and recycling service provider for the City of Murrieta. The company offers automated waste collection, curbside recycling and bulky item pickup and collaborates with city staff on waste reduction plans. The Waste Management El Sobrante Landfill also hosts tours and environmental learning activities for municipal customers such as Murrieta's Boys and Girls Club of Southwest County.

In addition to touring the facility, the children engaged in learning activities that encouraged them to save more raw materials, energy and landfill space by recycling often and recycling right. The young enthusiasts also got creative with putting items to reuse and made bird feeders out of 2-liter soda bottles.

Since 2000, the Waste Management El Sobrante Landfill has been providing outdoor education programs that give students, scouts and the community at large hands-on experiences with waste, recycling and environmental stewardship.

ABOUT WASTE MANAGEMENT EL SOBRANTE LANDFILL

Waste Management's El Sobrante Landfill is located in the unincorporated area of Riverside County. The landfill serves more than one million Inland Empire residents and is a critical component of Riverside County and the greater Los Angeles region's infrastructure. The site has more than 650 acres in permanent preservation and is a critical component of preserving open space in Riverside County. For more information on the landfill, please go to www.keepinginlandempireclean.com.

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