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Who we are



• Keep Kingwood Green is a 501(c)(3) non profit grassroots environmental group focusing mainly on the recycling issue.



Timeline

- 2001: creation of a web site called Kingwood Green
- Production and distribution of a brochure
- 2006 starting of community meetings and committee to work on projects



• 2008 we became an official 501(c)(3) non profit, changed our name to Keep Kingwood Green and created a board of directors (7).

What we do



Information ØWebsite

www.KeepKingwoodGreen.org



- All recycling and reuse opportunities in the Kingwood area
- Special recycling events like BOPA, free paper shredding, medication recycling, etc.
- Environmental School programs
- Green events like Farmer's Market, Tree planting, Earth Day events, etc.
- Best recycling links

Information

Our voice mail: 713-206 0558

Our email: info@keepkingwoodgreen.org



Information

Local Recycling Guide

More Information At: KeepKingwoodGreen.org Info@keepkingwoodgreen.org (713)206 0558

ØBrochure

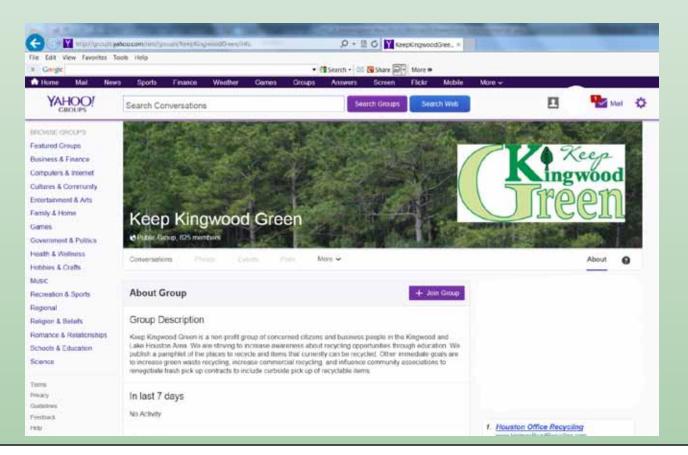
• About 2,500 brochures distributed each year

•Added to the Hi Neighbor welcome packet (100+ per month)

- •Weekly drop off center information
- Monthly Electronic Recycling
- Other items to be recycled (batteries, CFLs, eyeglasses, hangers, Styrofoam, etc.)
- List of local charities for reuse donations
- Websites for giving things away (Freecycle, Kingwood Yard Sale)

Information ØMailing list

Sent to 825 Members



Information ØFacebook Page



Information ØTablings

• YMCA Healthy Kid's Day

- Jesse Jones Park Naturefest
- Farmer's Market
- Other special events



Education

ØSpeaker

- Schools, all grade levels
- Scouts
- Churches
- Garden Clubs
- Lions Club
- Other community groups



What can one person do to help the Earth





Ten Things Kids Can Do to Help the Earth



Education

ØArticles

- Kingwood Observer
- Tribune
- Houston Chronicle
- Dock Line Magazine



All these articles are archived on our web site

Outreach ØTo many entities:

- City of Houston
- Council Members
- Humble School District
- County Representative
- Community Associations
- Waste Services Companies
- Businesses









Outreach ØVolunteers

We provide volunteers for community events



Kleenwood Day



BOPA



Outreach ØField Trips



To better understand the recycling industry:

- Avangarde Initiative
- MURF facilities (WM, Green Star)
- Compucycle
- •Atascocita Landfill
- •Living Earth Compost Facility
- American Textile Recycling Services









The Results



City of Houston drop off center in Kingwood

• The attempt to build a permanent recycling center for which a budget was voted in 2009 failed due to nearby neighborhood protest



• The every other weekend drop off site became an every weekend drop off site

ØCity of Houston drop off center in Kingwood

• Each weekend the City brings out 10 to 12 big bins which they have to replace several times on Saturday and Sunday.

- In addition they have a Packer Truck on site on Saturday morning and Sunday morning to keep overflows from happening
- About 1,060 tons collected in 2012





ØElectronic Recycling

• Kingwood was chosen by the City of Houston as one of the three monthly Electronic Recycling drop off sites by Compucycle

219 tons of electronics have been collected in two years





• We helped publicize the Compucycle What If campaign and they collected a record amount in Kingwood (over 42,000 pounds in six hours)



ØBOPA event

• We publicize with posters, flyers, newspaper and magazine articles

- We added scrap metal recycling by a trusted vendor
- Large increase in participation (more than 700 cars)









In 2013 the City agreed to two BOPA's instead of one due to our success.

ØHumble School District

• In 2012, Humble ISD was chosen for a recycling pilot program from Waste Management





• Presentations to the custodians, administrators and recycling coordinators

• Essay contest with \$1,000 of prizes to raise awareness of the students and teachers to the new school recycling program



ØCurbside Recycling

ØSlow progress. Why?



 Kingwood = 32 subdivisions. Each Community Association (CA) chooses its trash company and whether they include recycling or not

Many CA's refuse:

- to pay more for recycling
- to reduce their garbage pick up to once a week with free weekly recycling
- to give up back door pick up (= free service by the City of Houston)

ØCurbside Recycling

ØWhat we did



- We had a letter campaign at the Kingwood Park High School
- Sherwood Trail and Elm Grove received full single stream recycling service from the City of Houston
- We have been giving presentations to several CA's to encourage curbside recycling when they renegotiate their contracts

So far four CA's have acted on and included curbside. We have planted the "seeds" in more.

