

PATH recycling team gives back

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The next time you attend an event at the Tehama District Fairground or other large venue event look for recycling containers.

The men living in the Tehama County Pathways Program, which is under the direction of Poor and the Homeless (PATH), have partnered with the Tehama County Sanitary Landfill Agency, Tehama District Fairground and St. Elizabeth Community Hospital to "Recycle More" at large venue events.

As part of the program PATH clients, known as the PATH Recycling Management Team, are trained by landfill staff. The team collects, sorts and garners the proceeds from the recyclables. The Team's motto is "Recycle, Recycle, Recycle!" The men place and service the recycling containers around large venue events, provide litter service, and encourage attendees to use recycling containers.

443.60 pounds of recyclables during the Red Bluff Round-Up alone. The team has made significant progress in eliminating litter and reducing waste otherwise destined for the landfill.

PATH hopes taking part in this collaboration will help return men in the Pathways Program to work.

Mark Eidman, Tehama District Fairgrounds CEO, is impressed with the quality of work provided by the team. He stated the program "is a wonderful way to tie together many agencies in a cooperative effort. We hope the PATH Program and its workers gain as much from this effort as we do. The possibilities to expand the program are immense, as more than 200 events are held at the fair each year."

Kristina Miller, Landfill Agency Manager agreed. It is amazing what a community can accomplish when they work in partnership together.

To coordinate recycling services by the team, call the PATH program director at 736-3959.

PATH appreciates the cooperation of all the other agencies to make this project so successful.