

Recovery Pilots



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SC Textile Product Recovery Pilots

San Francisco (2020-22)

- Two days of garment sorting found 275 unique fibers and 74 blends in two days using just labels to identify
- Launched a repair pilot with Goodwill
- Repaired & redesigned 1000+ garments
- · Final results need for retailers

CV San (2022)

- Quarterly curbside collection events in conjunction with hauler
- Audited 510 lbs of discarded textiles
- Around 70% (401 lbs) of audited materials were deemed recyclable

Fashion for Good (2023)

 Scanned 2763 pounds of clothes using Mahota's FabriTell device to identify and record fiber type and clothing properties

Santa Barbara (2024)

- Textile Recycling Event including local speakers and vendors bringing different perspectives on circularity.
- Demonstrated the BASF textile device.

Athens Services (2025)

- Conducted a textile fiber identification audit of their recycLA zones
- Audited 147.7lb of 4 different textile categories: cotton, polyester, Cotton-Poly, and MIXED/MISC
- Information used to find markets for textiles and program design

County of LA (2022)

- Expand textile handlers map with additional processors
- Textile waste characterization at Pitchess Detention
- Upcycling/ recycling opportunities

San Jose (2023)

- Diverted 2.7 tons of clothing for audit from recycling in 1.5 days
- Demonstrated BASF device to identify types of fibers: cotton, polyester, & blends

City of LA (2022-24)

- Expand textile handlers map
- Organizes demos and discussions
- Secure a sorting site to collect textiles for upcycling and recycling

City of Napa (2023)

- Research on shoe recycling opportunities
- Analyze shoe collection data
- Assist City and Hauler divert shoe waste from clothing collection events

City of LA (2025)

- Recycled cotton fabric sourced from LA waste made into fabric in LA for LA28
- Other recycled content yarns and fabric
- · Upcycling design competition
- In-person education event
- Planning for SB707 implementation