

STREET SWEEPING
FUND NO. 558
ACCOUNT NO. 1113

DESCRIPTION

The Street Sweeping Division is responsible for the removal of dirt and debris from City streets. This includes the annual leaf pickup program.

MISSION

To preserve the quality of life in Merced by providing street sweeping services that meet the Clean Air Act mandates.

GOALS

- ◇ Meet the scheduled systematic street sweeping in residential (twice per month) and business districts (weekly) to the greatest degree possible and in the most cost-effective and efficient manner possible.
- ◇ Provide removal of leaves from City streets during leaf season.

OBJECTIVES

***PERFORMANCE
MEASUREMENTS/INDICATORS***

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| 1. Continue to identify disposal sites that will accept leaves at no charge, with all weather disposal capabilities. | By October 2004, recommit to previously identified sites or identify other strategically located sites, that will accept leaves at no charge. |
| 2. Seek methods to improve the quality of street sweeping and right sizing of routes to improve productivity. | Maintain contact with sweeper manufacturers to remain familiar with current technology, as well as machine capability, and arrange for local demonstrations of such machines when appropriate.

Routes were adjusted in FY 03/04 to for better efficiency, and to eliminate conflict with any refuse collection routes. |

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2004-2005 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Rates for street sweeping services were increased effective January 1, 2002. The rate approval included an automatic rate adjustment, based on CPI factors, each January 1, beginning in 2003, and concluding in 2006. As a result of increases in the CPI, and adjustment to the Street Sweeping portion of the Refuse rate was made in January 2004.

The division has requested a partial Full Time Equivalent (80%) to deal with the growth of the City. This addition will return the average miles per sweeper operator to approximately 100, from the current 150 (approx.).