

1986

INNOVATE

Maintenance Manager Jack Seader designed and developed three-compartment recycling trucks to collect recyclables in Boulder and take the city's recycling into the 20th century.

2003

BREAK GROUND

Western Disposal opened the first — **and only** — fully permitted composting facility in the county.

2009

CLEANER AIR

Western Disposal begins to transition collection fleet from diesel fuel to compressed natural gas (CNG) eliminating **fifteen metric tons** of CO2 emissions per truck annually.

2014

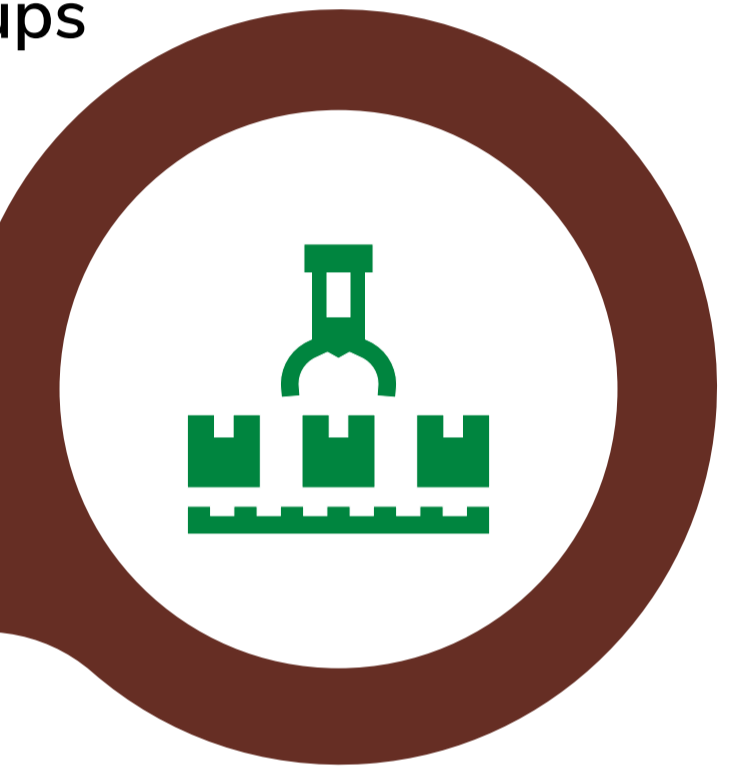
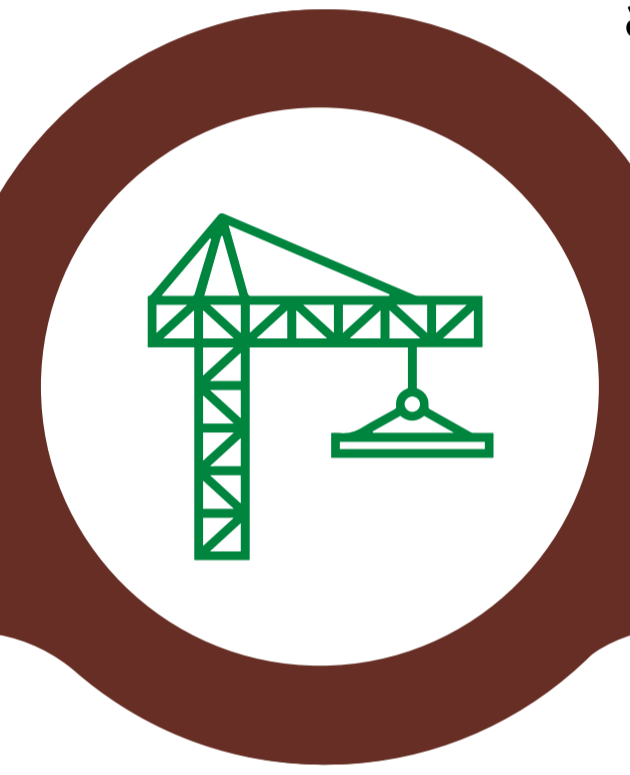
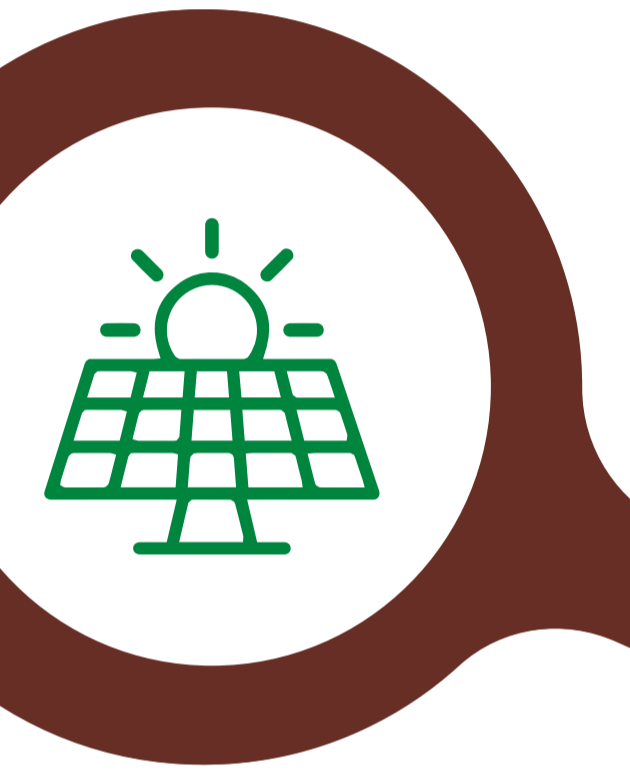
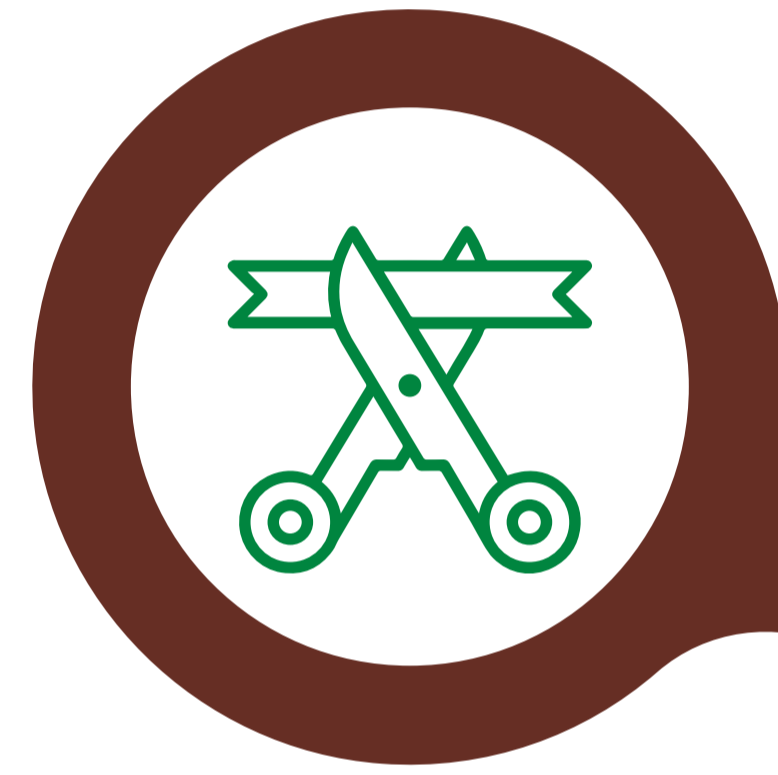
COMMUNITY PARTNER

Western Disposal is designated a seat on Boulder County's Resource Conservation Advisory Board which plays an integral role in advising County Commissioners on waste diversion policies and strategies.

2020

CONTINUE TO SERVE

Western Disposal celebrated 50 years serving residents and businesses throughout Boulder, Broomfield and neighboring counties. The company agreed to purchase 100% of the city of Boulder's renewable natural gas generated at its wastewater treatment plant. A service provider agreement with Jack's Solar Garden ups renewably-sourced facility power supply to 90%



1970

THE BEGINNING

Western Disposal was founded by Boulder native Dan Souders.

2001

GO GREEN

Western Disposal becomes the first company in the state to switch to automated collection trucks and wheeled collection carts for trash and dual-stream recycling. At the time of conversion, the City's recycling rate was just 17%. Within a year and a half, the recycling rate doubled to 34% due to Western's provision of large recycling carts.

2008

DIVIDE & CONQUER

Western Disposal rolls out the three-cart system (one cart each for trash, single-stream recyclables, and yard and food waste (organics)). Within just a few months, the County's and City's residential diversion rates increased to approximately 50%.

2013

LET THE SUN SHINE

194kw solar awning is up and running providing 30% of the power required to run our facility.

2015

CONSTRUCTION RECYCLING

To meet the City's Green Points Building Program and the County's BuildSmart residential green building code requirements, Western Disposal became — and is still — the only company in the county offering construction waste recycling and sorting services.

2021

PRIORITIZING RESOURCE RECOVERY

Western Disposal opened its Materials Management Center, a hub for increasing landfill diversion. Services include semi-automated construction waste sorting, screening and recovery of cardboard from trash and a public plaza for residents and businesses to recycle a wide range of hard to recycle materials.