

# TRADING PLACES: TRASH AND RECYCLING

To address fiscal challenges and extend the life of its landfill, the Town of Dartmouth MA introduced its PAYT program with automated recycling collection in October 2007. As a result, the Town reduced its trash budget by paying less in tipping fees and by selling its recycling. Now, the Town's trash collection program is self-sufficient and runs independent of the general fund.

FROM 2006  
TO 2013,  
THE TOWN SAW

59%  
decrease in  
solid waste tonnage

50%  
increase in  
recycling tonnage

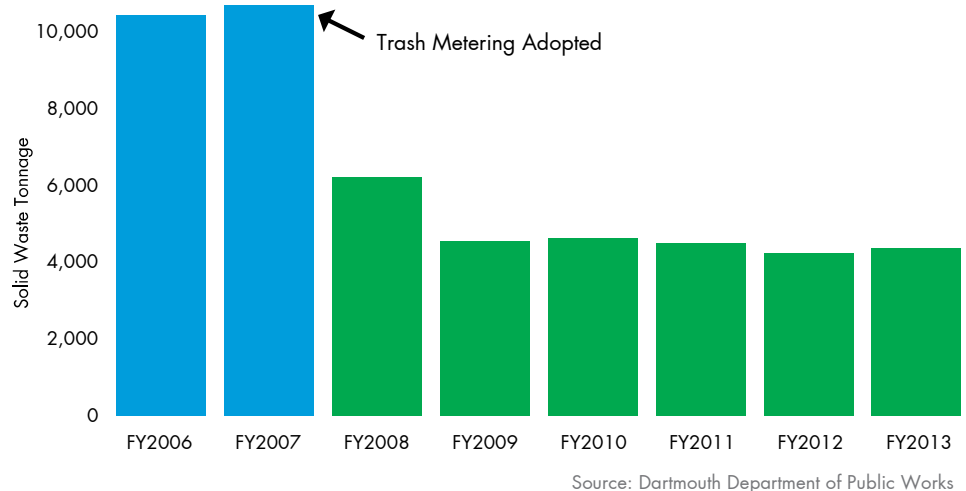
150%  
increase in its  
recycling rate

34,000  
POPULATION

\$71,000  
MEDIAN INCOME/HOUSEHOLD

BAG-BASED PAYT WITH  
CURBSIDE TRASH AND  
DUAL-STREAM RECYCLING  
COLLECTION

DARTMOUTH, MASS., SOLID WASTE VOLUME, FY2006 - FY2013



ANNUAL POUNDS OF TRASH PER CAPITA

