

## **Athens Services Launches New Sustainability Center in Thousand Oaks**

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July 29, 2021 (Thousand Oaks, CA) – Athens Services formally announces the launch of its new Sustainability Center, the first-ever dedicated to environmental sustainability for Thousand Oaks residents. The center is located at 2251 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd. Residents are able to come in and learn about waste reduction, recycling and composting.

"We are so excited to offer a one-stop shop for our customers," said Rondi Guthrie, Vice President of Government Affairs. "This will be a place to stop by to learn more about our recycling program, talk to a customer service representative about your bill, or to request a presentation from one of our Recycling Coordinators."

The opening of the Sustainability Center comes after Athens Services was awarded the franchise waste and recycling collection contract earlier this year. The agreement creates more than 50 jobs and aims to advance recycling and compliance with new organics waste regulations. Most importantly, it will significantly reduce customer rates.

Athens will service the city with a fleet of new near-zero-emissions vehicles powered by compressed natural gas (CNG). This is a part of Athens' commitment to invest in Thousand Oaks and to support local businesses while also hiring locals.

"It makes me happy to know that my friends and family here in Thousand Oaks will benefit," said Kurt Dansby, Recycling Coordinator. "Being a local from the area, I can already see how the center is going to make monumental strides in increasing waste diversion from the landfills through our recycling organics program. Taking unwanted organic materials to our composting center and turning it into soils that are given back to the community."

Headquartered in the City of Industry, Athens is L.A. County's largest privately owned waste diversion and recycling company, with 2,000 employees, a fleet of more than 1,000 trucks, and waste and recycling processing facilities stretching from South Bay beach cities to the Inland Empire and the High Desert.

## View photos of the event here.

Athens Services, family-owned and operated since 1957, proudly serves more than 42 municipalities and county areas. The company focuses on reducing, reusing, recycling, and composting to divert valuable resources from landfills. Athens provides excellent service by hiring and developing great people while fostering a safe, healthy, and sustainable environment, The Athens Way.

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