

BigBelly Referrals:

Arizona State University:

Ted Woods, Grounds Services....480-205-4864

Some of Ted Woods comments:

When we were first looking at the BigBellys, I was completely against them. I came up with every negative reason not to get them, there was nothing wrong with our current system, they would be a waste of good money. Since we installed them my attitude has completely changed. I love them, I would and do tell everyone!

Arizona heat means major trash odor, the BigBelly has virtually eliminated that problem.

Bees are also a big problem here, once again, that is not an issue with the BigBelly.

My aggregate trash cans are always a target for damage like tipping and graffiti, I have none of these problems with the BigBelly.

They are maintenance free, and with the indicator lights, we can just drive by and see when they need to be emptied.

With 59,000 students, we have 950 trash cans to service. We are looking at getting more BigBellys, I would like to get at least 50.

Ted is more than happy to talk to anyone about the BB.

Dallas Fair Park

Donny Shubert, Operations Manager, 214-670-8503, donny.shubert@dallascityhall.com

Donny says:

Normally we change our 100 garbage cans every day, and in our busy season, more like 3 times a day. We have 2 BigBellys, 1 on each side of the Lagoon, which is one of our busiest areas in the park. Since we installed the BigBellys we only empty it once a week.

Bees have always been a problem, they are not attracted to the BigBellys.

I have already put in a budget request for 50 more, we just love them. We are looking at using the ad mounts to help defer the cost.

San Antonio:

Units in parks and at the Alamo Plaza
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Boston Department of Public Works:

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Tim's comments:\

“This will save us a lot of time when guys are filling potholes, fixing sidewalks and doing other things.” (July 2006)

“The city of Boston has just completed our pilot program of 50 BigBelly units and the results have been excellent.

The public response has been nothing but positive, and we have realized the desired benefits for the city.

We intend to move forward through the budget process toward a city-wide deployment starting this spring.” (Jan. 5, 2007)

Cincinnati Park Board:

Gerald R. Checco, Superintendent of Operation and Land Management
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Gerald's comments:

“Another bonus with BigBelly is that the unit is well closed. The cans we have now are either open or can be left open, creating a HUGE problem with animals getting into the trash and spreading the trash all over, creating an unacceptable situation in our woods and lawn areas.”

“For us, the main issue is environmental. At full deployment, 150 units will allow our department to go from two garbage trucks to one garbage truck – saving enough money in fuel, maintenance and labor costs to pay for the entire BigBelly system in about 3 years. After 5 years, we estimate we will have saved \$178,000 in our budget – having paid off the investment in the BigBelly system after year three – and also will have saved 7,750 gallons of diesel fuel and avoided putting 86 tons of CO2 into the atmosphere. That effectively means we'd be paid more than \$2,000 per ton of avoided CO2 – making for a very appealing climate change initiative.”

“The full deployment of the BigBelly system is equivalent to planting over 8,000 trees. That is, the reduction of CO2, NOx, and other pollutants due to not using the second truck would be absorbed by 8,000 trees.

It is absolutely true both from statistics but also from experience that garbage trucks consume more fuel and pollute more heavily than most trucks. In addition, trash trucks have very sensitive hydraulics that tend to have to be fixed all the time. Reducing truck trips is a great help on both counts.”

New Braunfels:

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