Illegal Dumping and Our S.P.O.T. Program (Social Places and Opportunities for Teen)
Approach

- The three main components to address the growing problem of illegal dumping in Los Angeles County:
Illegal Dumping Impacts

- 19,616 illegal dumping cases in 2021
Education

- Newsletters
- Websites
- Media Campaigns
- Social Media
Reporting Illegal Dumping

- **Hotline**: (888) 8 - DUMPING
- **Mobile App**: “The Works”
- **Email**: dumping@pw.lacounty.gov
- **Website**: pw.lacounty.gov/contact
Preventing Illegal Dumping

Three methods to prevent illegal dumping:

1. Donation
2. Schedule bulky item pickup
3. Set out on trash collection day
Cleanup Efforts

- Trash collection contracts require waste haulers to:
  - Conduct daily monitoring and removal of items at illegal dumping hot zones
  - Provide containers/dumpsters at community cleanup events

- Department of Parks and Recreation were asked to assist in organizing community cleanup events through their Our S.P.O.T. (Social Places and Opportunities for Teens) Program

- Antelope Valley Illegal Dumping Task Force
  - Provides funding for landfill vouchers and other assistance in open market areas
Rural Community Cleanup

• I Heart Lake Los Angeles Community Group
  ○ Rural area of unincorporated LA County
• Community youth involvement
• Community education campaign
• Survey
School Project

- Eastside High School
  - Rural area of unincorporated LA County
- Environmental Awareness Integrated Service-Learning Project

Support & enforce
Our S.P.O.T. Program
(Social Places and Opportunities for Teens)

- Teen program
- Encourages teens to get involved in their community
- Cleanup events
  - July 2021
2022 Community Cleanup Events

Coordinate Countywide Cleanup Events

• LA County park events in April for Earth Day.

• Educate residents of proper disposal and the effects of illegal dumping on the environment

• Waste hauler to donate dumpsters for event
Enforcement

- Lack of enforcement continues to be the biggest obstacle in terms of reducing illegal dumping

- Lack of resources and prioritization from law enforcement

NO DUMPING

Up to $10,000 fine, 6 months in jail, and impoundment of vehicle
Penal Code 374.3,
CA Vehicle Code 23112.7, H&S Code 117555

For disposal information: 888-8DUMPING www.CleanLA.com
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