SUSTAINABILITY AND WASTE

This session will cover the progress made to divert materials to reuse, repurpose and then recycling efforts, at UVA and area. Our different programs include but not limited to; reusable Office Supply Exchange (ROSE), recycling collections (paper, cardboard, bottles and cans, batteries, lamps, nitrile gloves, composting), separation (processing), preparing for shipments (baled or loose), marketing, sales, etc. Sustainable opportunities to reduce electricity, water, air quality and consumption.

Safety standards begun by our group; educating battery storage and disposal safety, safe backing practices, proper PPE usage, etc.

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Sonny is Recycling Programs Superintendent, he joined Facilities Management in October 1987, as an equipment operator with the Landscape department. He spent nearly five years as tool room and equipment foreman, before joining the Recycling Division in March of '94. Now the recycling division leader, Sonny is certified in Municipal Solid Waste Management Systems through SWANA (Solid Waste Association of North America) and contract administrator for the solid waste and recycling contracts. He and his team have received numerous grants, awards and recognition in the UVA community, and state and national organizations for excellence of programs, education and diversion and has continued to champion waste minimization efforts. Sonny has acquired much knowledge and skills from previous work roles and interests, that helps create understanding and learning opportunities for himself and youth in our community. He has coached little league baseball for about a decade, was the leader of his son's boy scout den, patrol and troop for seven years and served as Co-Program Director for the local scout summer camp. Recently Sonny has coached as many as two, Fall and Spring soccer teams in the area with the Soccer Organization of Charlottesville and Albemarle (SOCA).