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@ Cajun Field



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Changed Systems

- ❑ Pre-game
 - ✓ Switched to recycling and trash handcarts in all tailgating areas
- ❑ Gametime
 - ✓ Work with all parties to reduce, reuse, and recycle
 - ✓ Stopped "crack and pour"
 - ✓ Two-stream stations throughout stadium for fans
 - ✓ Back of house plastic bag recycling for concessions
 - ✓ Water Monsters and reusable stadium cups
- ❑ Post-game
 - ✓ Bowl pick includes sorting recyclable materials
 - ✓ Food recovery through Second Harvest



A Multi-Stream Approach



Mixed Recycling



Landfill



Plastic Bags



Food Recovery

Sustainability + AmeriCorps + Sodexo



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Keep UL Lafayette Beautiful Program

- Focused on 1 mile stretch of parade route that passes through campus
- 8 parades roll through campus over a 11-day period
- Baseline Assessment and Cleanup:
 - February 13, two days after first parade
 - After streetsweeper
 - 3 UL Lafayette AmeriCorps students thoroughly removed all litter
 - 2.5 hours
 - 3 15-gallon bags of litter
- Krewe de Coulee Assessment and Cleanup:
 - February 23, two days after Mardi Gras
 - After streetsweeper
 - 30 UL Lafayette students, staff, and faculty
 - 3 hours
 - 45 15-gallon bags of litter



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Results from Litter Free Louisiana Survey:

- **About sites and cleanup process:**
 - Volunteers estimated another 2.3 hours would be necessary to remove all litter from the site
 - Some sites were much more littered than others
 - Zero trash or recycling cans in sight other than a few on main campus near Quad and bus stations
- **Types of Litter:**
 - Unwanted or broken Mardi Gras stuff: beads, hula hoops, trinkets
 - Bead bags and wrappers tossed over from floats
 - Trash from parade watchers
 - Alcohol bottles and cans
 - Food trays, boxes, etc
 - Styrofoam ice chests
 - Broken chairs and tents
 - BBQ pits

Other Feedback:

- Volunteers suggested closing the street and cleaning as an entire group rather than assigning small groups to different areas
- Involve businesses along this site
- Expand the effort to other sections of the route with Krewes, alumni, K-12 schools, and Keep Lafayette Beautiful



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