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### **Meridian Waste Jacksonville hiring event produces success on the westside**

**Jacksonville, FL - August 28, 2023** - [Meridian Waste](#) Florida LLC, an integrated, non-hazardous solid waste services company, held a team member hiring event at its hauling operations facility located at 2078 Lane Avenue North in Jacksonville, FL on Saturday, August 26 with 122 candidates for commercial driver's license (CDL) drivers, helpers, mechanics, and dispatch positions. The hiring day helped to staff the company's City of Jacksonville Area I residential solid waste contract. The Area I contract includes approximately 76,044 residential units located west of the St. Johns River from the southern border of Duval County adjoining Clay County to the western border of Duval County adjoining Baker and Nassau counties to the centerline of New Kings Road in Duval County. Meridian Waste's operation of the Area I contract begins October 1.

The job fair featured one-stop hiring activities including onsite background checks and drug testing of all new potential hires to ensure the safety of customers and in compliance with City of Jacksonville contract requirements. Team members considered for hiring included CDL drivers, helpers, dispatchers, and mechanics with final employment offers pending clean background checks and drug testing results. The new prospective hires, in addition to those who applied for jobs prior to August 26, are required to meet the company's hiring criteria and the City's required number of positions. Meridian Waste is currently accepting applications in Jacksonville and other service areas at [www.MeridianWaste.com/Careers](http://www.MeridianWaste.com/Careers).

"I am extremely pleased with the results of the Meridian Waste hiring event and the team effort from our corporate human resources department. Additionally, our safety department and local Jacksonville managers and staff ensured a smooth and organized event," stated Dave Shepler, Area President, Florida. "I have tremendous pride for our team of solid waste professionals here in Jacksonville and look forward to welcoming an additional 100 team members to our Meridian Waste family," he said. Visit <https://youtu.be/wtUI2d2udZo> to view the previous Jacksonville contract start up video.

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**Photo 1:** Meridian Waste operations manager Ricky Rochester poses with a quarterback mannequin as part of the company’s hiring theme: Join Our Trash Team!



**Photo 2:** Meridian Waste supervisors and lead driver ready for a day of hiring new team members. Pictured from left to right: Jacquell “Tree” Thomas, Andrea Amason, Brandon Davis, Mike Green, Fred Lee and Fred Edwards.



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**About Meridian Waste:**

Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Meridian Waste is a company defined by its commitment to servicing its customers, caring for and engaging its employees, and generating financial value for its shareholders while delivering a clean and healthy community. The company's core waste business is centered on residential, commercial, and industrial non-hazardous waste collection and disposal. Currently, the company operates in Northeast Fla., St. Louis, Mo., Goldston, N.C., Raleigh, N.C., Greenville, S.C., Knoxville, Tenn., Blacksburg, Va., Harrisonburg, Va., and Richmond, Va., servicing more than 219,850 residential, commercial, industrial, and governmental customers. In addition to a fleet of commercial, residential, and roll-off trucks, the company operates 14 hauling companies, six transfer stations/materials recycling facilities (MRFs), two municipal solid waste landfills, and three C&D landfills in which 882,066 tons of waste are safely disposed of annually. For more information, visit [MeridianWaste.com](http://MeridianWaste.com).

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