

## Save the Date

**April 19, 2015**

Have you started to think about how to celebrate **Earth Day 2015**? SOCRRA has! SOCRRA will be hosting an **OPEN HOUSE** on **Sunday, April 19, 2015**. In addition to tours of the facility, visitors will be able to:

- ◇ Sort recyclables on a simulated sort line
- ◇ Create recycled crafts with Arts & Scraps
- ◇ Get up close to a real recycling truck
- ◇ Scavenger hunt
- ◇ Food and beverages
- ◇ And more!

Planning is still underway, so look for more information in future newsletter or visit the SOCRRA website for updates.



For this month.....

## **SUPER** Recycling and Waste Reduction Efforts

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Whether you are an avid sports fan or not, chances are you will be watching the big football game in February. One of the largest sporting events of the year is more than just the game— there are a host of events before and after kick-off. With all those people and activities, what about all the waste? According to *The Republic (azcentral.com)*, the stadium alone could generate about 50 to 70 tons of waste. In comparison, Phoenix residents generate about 1,712 tons of solid waste a day.

Over the years, major sporting facilities have embraced a green mentality, and this year's event in Phoenix appears to follow suit. Here are just a few of the examples of the big game going GREEN!

- ⇒ Recycling will play an important position for all facilities related to the big game. On average, about 120 tons of waste are recycled each year.
- ⇒ Unconsumed food will be donated to a non-profit that delivers food to agencies that feed the hungry, schools, after-school programs, and senior facilities.
- ⇒ Over the next year, the host city committee will plant thousands of trees around the state to offset pollution.
- ⇒ About 55% of the teams across the five major North American sports leagues have energy efficiency programs.

Source:

<http://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/glendale/2014/06/09/super-bowl-greening-sustainability/10217795/>