

# **G&K Services**

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#### **Company**

G&K Services is an industrial laundry facility that has been providing uniforms and facility services programs to a wide range of industries for over 100 years.

### **Intern Project**

Reduce solid waste generation by assessing waste streams to uncover recycling opportunities, and recommend ways to reduce contaminant concentrations in wastewater.

### **Incentives to Change**

Improving recycling practices and lowering contaminant concentrations in the wastewater both fit in directly with G&K Service's commitment to environmental stewardship.



# Solutions

#### **Reduce Solid Waste:**

- Update the current employee recycling program: Increasing the number of recycling containers and providing clear multilingual signs will provide convenience and promote increased participation
- Recycle additional items: Recycling damaged textiles, floor mats, and plastic will decrease the amount of solid waste generated and the number of dumpster pickups needed per week



#### **Install Wastewater Treatment System:**

- Reduce the concentrations of COD and TSS in outgoing wastewater
- Lower the quarterly industrial wastewater strength charge and also save money on sludge removal
- Has potential for water reuse with certain systems