

## Paramus, NJ DPW and the AAA NJ Charitable Committee Collect, Clean, and Donate Toys

## **Background:**

- Paramus, NJ Department of Public Works continues to be an official Second Chance Toys drop-off location for gently-used plastic toys.
- The recycling center invites resident to sustainably pass on toys year-round.
- Paramus DPW Staff wrap and store the toys safely in a designated shed in preparation for SCT to clean and arrange for pick-up.
- The AAA New Jersey Charitable Committee volunteered an entire morning with the SCT team to clean, repair, and pack all 5 palettes worth of toys so that they were ready to delivered to kids.
- The same day all of the toys were picked up by SCT Valued Supporter 1-800-GOT-JUNK? NJ Northeast and were delivered to the 1,000 Shades of Women Foundation of Orange, NJ.

## **Results:**

- 300 toys were collected, cleaned, bagged, and kept out of landfills.
- Average 1,200 lbs. of plastic diverted from the waste stream.
- A minimum of 600 children positively impacted with each round of shared play.
- 10 square yards of landfill space saved from unnecessary plastic waste volume.

## **Thank You For Your Support!**

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"We were so happy to assist such a wonderful organization! It was a pleasure and an honor for us." " – Diana, Volunteer, AAA NJ Charitable Committee







