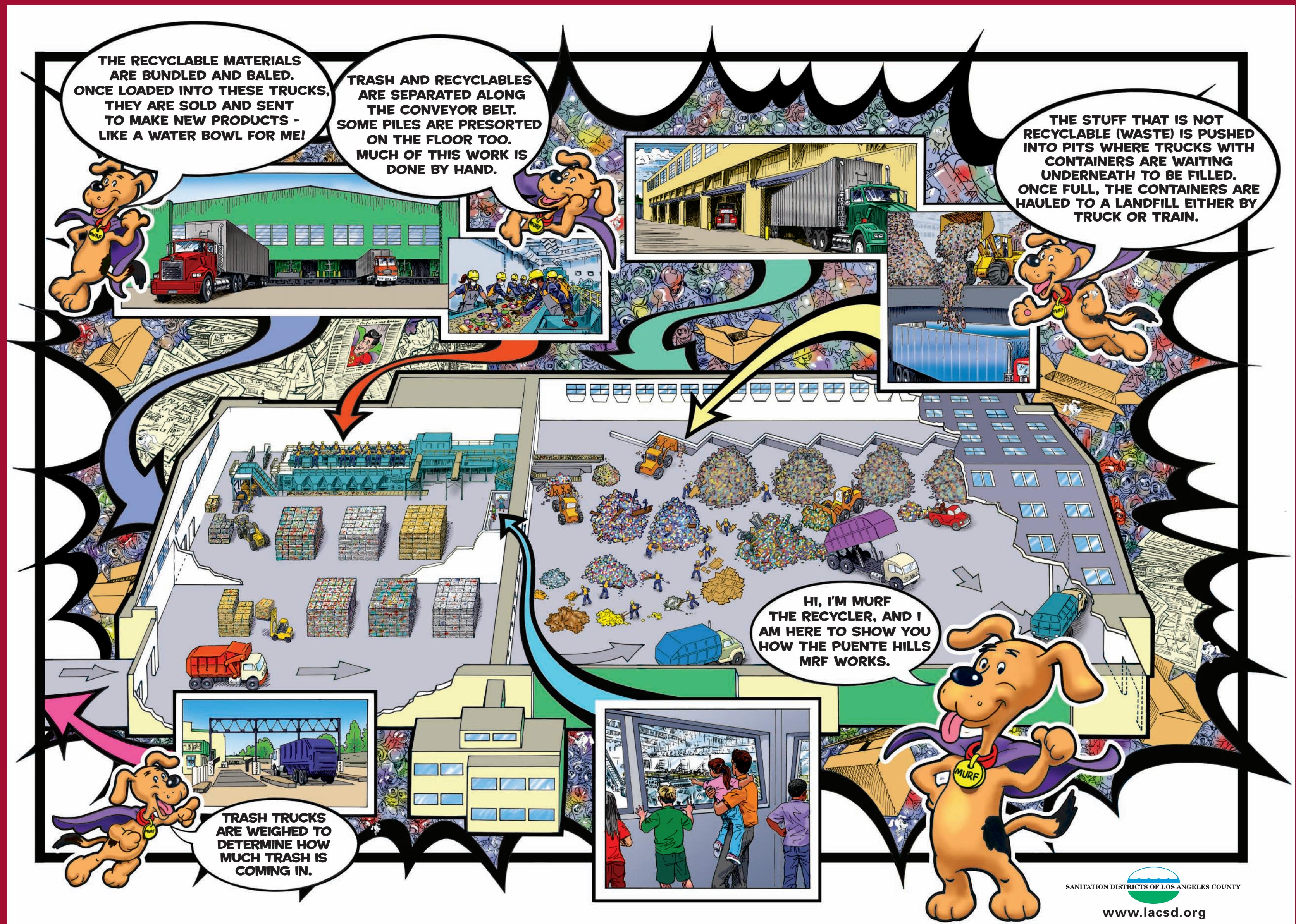


TRANSFORMING TRASH INTO TREASURE



Wouldn't it be nice if your trash could go to a place where it could be separated into recyclable materials? Now it can at the new state-of-the-art Puente Hills Materials Recovery Facility or MRF (pronounced "murf"). A MRF is a facility that processes trash and recovers recyclable materials, such as paper, plastic and metal. The recyclables are used to make new products and the waste is disposed at landfills using trucks or trains.

The process works with the help of machinery, organization and people. Check out the process in this illustration. You can see that it takes a lot of work to make sure we are recycling as much as possible. Remember, you can do your part by recycling at home, or even better, use products that are reusable and avoid making waste. For more information please visit www.lacsd.org.