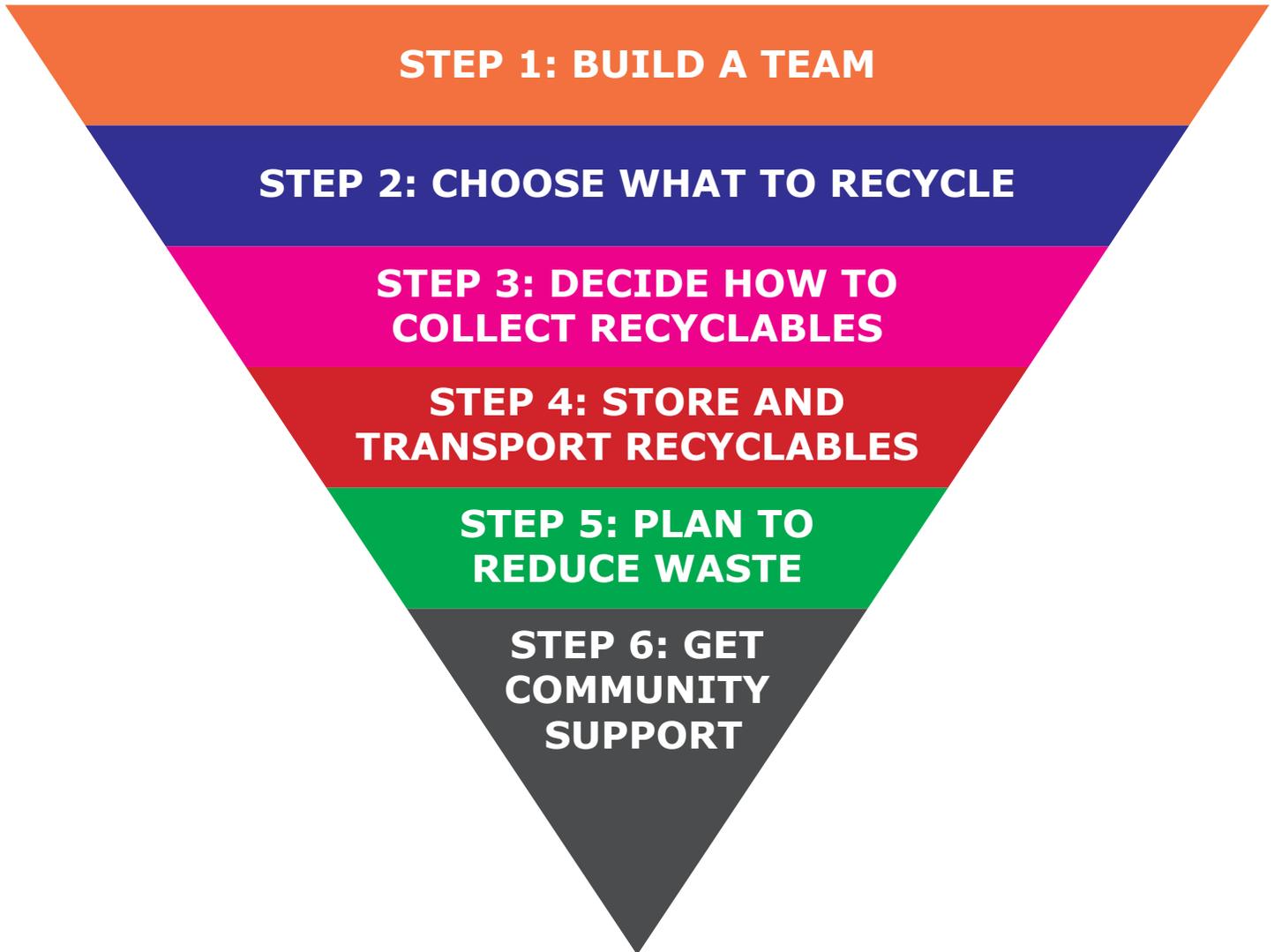


# D. SIX STEPS TO START RECYCLING



# BUILD A TEAM

# STEP 1

Starting a recycling program is easier to do with a team of people. It's also more likely to be successful and last over time. A program that relies on one or two people can fall apart because they get burnt out or move out of the community.

## 1. Who are the local champions that will help start a recycling program in your community?

School representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Community members: \_\_\_\_\_

Band/Council representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Others: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2. What could or will be their roles?

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## 3. Who will take the lead?

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## 4. How will you work as a team?

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## 5. How will you get support from decision makers such as Chief and Council?

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**One person is never enough –  
it takes a team!**

## ACTION!

**Find local champions who are passionate about the environment and the community.**

- Ask youth to help, especially kids who are already involved with other community issues, such as Junior Chief & Council.
- Talk to people who are most unhappy about the current waste situation.
- Ask those who come out to a presentation or express interest in recycling and reducing waste.

## MEET TWO LOCAL CHAMPIONS

**Solomon Mason** has played a key role in St. Theresa Point First Nation for many years. He started a recycling program to haul scrap vehicles out of the community. This led to a project to burn used oil that now heats their fire truck garage.

**Alvin Amos** in Fisher River Cree Nation secured funding to set up a recycling program, including bins, a shed, trailers and a baler.