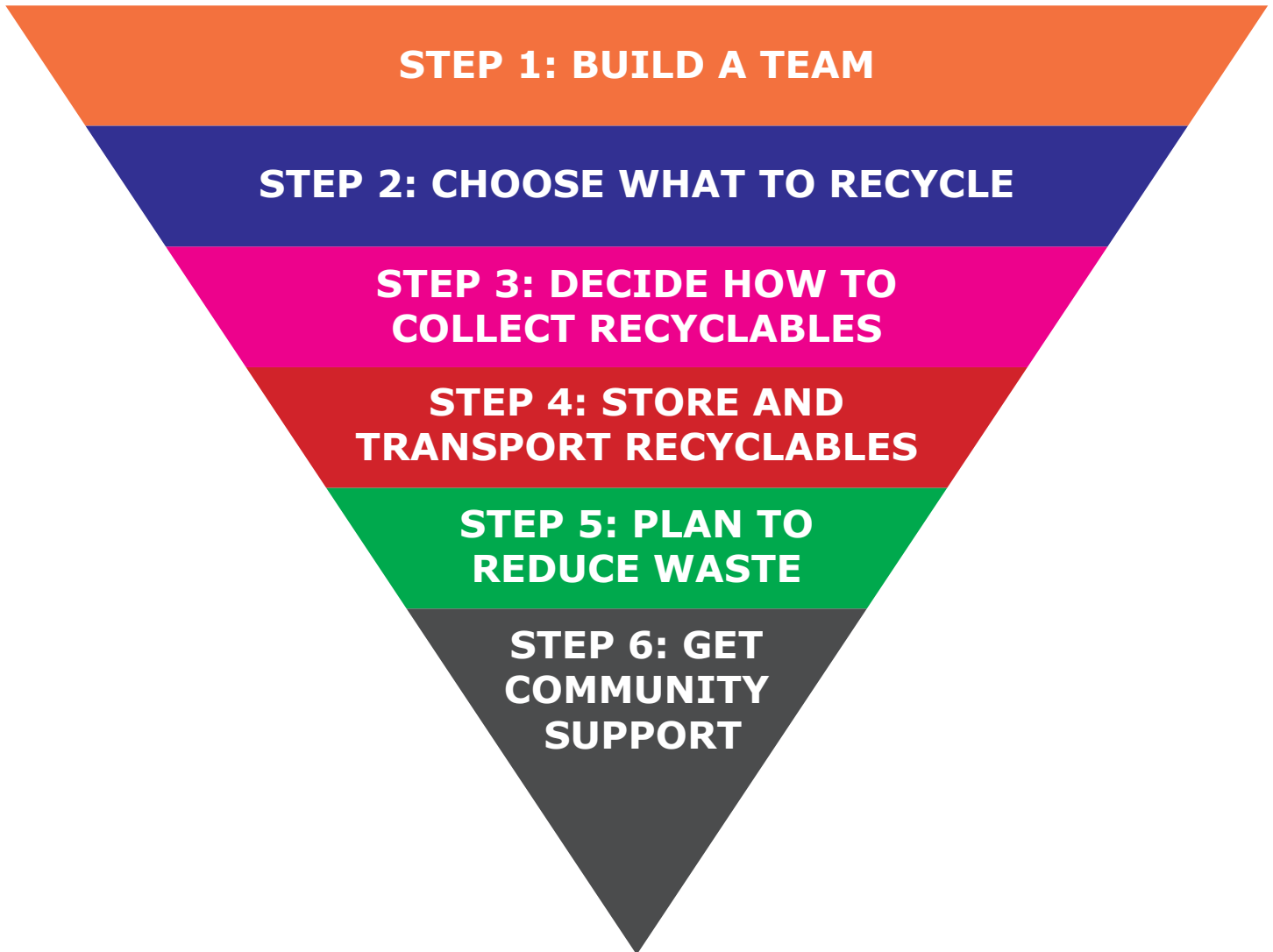


D. SIX STEPS TO START RECYCLING



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: _____

2. What could or will be their roles?

3. Who will take the lead?

4. How will you work as a team?

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

**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.