Recology Santa Busy In Vallejo



Recology employees were busy with activities that kept the spirit of the holidays alive in Vallejo. Employees (pictured right) wrapped gifts that were delivered for a Christmas party for families

in need that was sponsored by



the Living Water Community Church and the California Highway Patrol.

Recology volunteers (pictured left) helped with the "Breakfast with Santa" event on December 14 that was sponsored by the Greater Vallejo Recreation District.

Winter Disposal lips

Residential customers may bring up to 3 mattresses per day, extra cardboard, sharps, and limited amounts of antifreeze, auto & household batteries, cooking oil, e-waste, fluorescent bulbs, latex paint, and used oil & oil filters to the BOPA facility at 2021 Broadway, Thursday through Saturday, from 8AM until 4PM. There is no extra charge to dispose of these items. Contact us for complete information.

Tough Disposal Solutions **Recology** will haul away your unwanted items. Recology drivers will come to your location to collect large items or extra bagged trash. Customers may schedule up to two Bulky Item Collections each calendar year. Call Recology Vallejo at

552-3110 at least one day before your regular collection day to schedule your Bulky Item Collection. Two cubic yards of material may be set out for each collection. E-waste may be included in the two yards. Two cubic yards equal about ten 32-gallon bags, or a couch, mattress, or other single large item. Each appliance, like an air conditioner or washer, counts as one collection. Customers with a large amount of materials may combine their two Bulky Item Collections into a single collection of four yards of materials.

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The Recology Way

A steady stream of cars and trucks brought tires, mattresses, appliances, furniture, and other trash to Mare Island for disposal during the Fall Cleanup Day in November. The **Recology** crew, pictured right, worked to make the event a success for Vallejo customers.

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Josh Branco became the Maintenance Manager for **Recology Vallejo** three years ago, but vehicle repair is part of his DNA.

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"My dad and I had an auto repair business in Dixon," Josh said. "I took it over and ran it for seventeen years. When I learned about the job opening here at **Recology** Lapplied "

Josh Branco **Recology**, I applied."

Josh knew about the great reputation **Recology** has as a place to work. Josh was especially drawn to the fact that **Recology** is a company that is owned by the employees who work for it.

"Working here is just like working for your own business," Josh said. "We look out for our customers and do our best work for the company. It is our company and that makes a difference."

Josh also likes the outreach efforts and opportunities to volunteer for events that help the community. He has volunteered for events in Vallejo and in other communities.

Josh lives in Vacaville with his wife Ashley and their children Brett (age 20), Nicholas (age 17), Arabella (age 12), and Clayton (age 11).

Rate Adjustment

The annual CPI rate adjustment for Vallejo residential and commercial customers went into effect on January 1, 2020. The CPI increase is 3%. The new rate for basic monthly residential service is \$34.78 for a 32-gallon trash cart, \$56.27 for a 64-gallon trash cart, and \$77.79 for a 96-gallon trash cart. For commercial rates, debris box rates, lifeline rates, etc. please call our office.

Accepted Blue Cart Recyclables

- **Paper**-Newspaper, boxes, bags, cardboard (flattened), magazines, catalogs, glossy paper, phone books, softcover books, shredded paper in paper bags, junk mail, envelopes, all colors of office paper.
- **Glass**-All beverage and food containers in all colors. Empty container, rinse, and remove lid or cap.
- **Plastic**-All #1 through #7 narrow-neck bottles (water, soda, and detergent bottles). All California Redemption Value (CRV) containers. Plastic tubs for margarine, butter, yogurt, etc. Empty all containers and rinse.
- **Metal**-Food and beverage cans (aluminum, steel, and tin). Rinse. Clean aluminum pans or foil. Empty aerosol cans. Loose lids from jars.

The following materials are not recyclable. Check website or call for proper disposal instructions.

Never Mix With Blue Cart Recyclables

- Paper-No hardcover books or binders; soiled papers, food wrappings, napkins, tissues or towels, waxed paper milk cartons or waxed paper juice cartons.
- Glass-No drinking glasses; ceramics; window glass or mirrors; light bulbs or fluorescent tubes.
- Plastic-No plastic toys, cups, garden hoses, etc.; plastic bags; Styrofoam; clam-shell food containers; PVC or other piping.

Metal-No electronic or computer equipment; hangers; scrap metal; fuel or propane tanks, etc.

Commercial Customer Requirements

If you are a commercial customer who generates more than four cubic yards of waste, then you are required to subscribe to both recycling service and organic service. Fortunately, **Recology** provides the support needed so you comply with the law.

Organic waste includes plant material either from landscaping maintenance or food preparation. Customers can comply with the law and help the environment by diverting waste from your residual waste container to your recyclables.

Check your invoice to see if your service level is four cubic yards or above. If so, you must comply with the recycling regulations.

Recology Waste Zero experts will help you comply with these regulations. We will customize a program that works best for you.

Get started by calling us at 552-3110 or visit us at *recology.com*. We can custom design a program just for you that keeps you in compliance with current laws.

Assembly Bill 1826

- Adopted September 28, 2014.
- On and after April 1, 2016, businesses that generate 8 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2017, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2019, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- Returning organic materials to soils reduces greenhouse gases and conserves landfill space.
- Food is the largest single source (15.5%) of all waste in California.
- More than six million tons of food products are discarded in California landfills every year.
- The **Recology** compost facility has been converting food waste and green waste into rich organic compost for years.

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