



An Employee Owned Company

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Morgan Hill

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If you have any questions about your services, contact a Customer Service Representative at **408-842-3358** or visit our website at recologysouthvalley.com

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OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES

HHW.org
RecycleStuff.org
ReduceWaste.org

The Connection

Keeping us connected to the communities we serve

Recycler of the Year Award

Every year Recology South Valley presents an award to a business that has done a good job at recycling. The award is Recology's way to highlight one Morgan Hill business and hopefully other businesses will be inspired to implement or improve their current program.

The **Morgan Hill Business Recycler of the Year** award is going to **Leaman Equipment**.

Leaman Equipment, owned by William and Jean Leaman, is an industrial transmission repair, rebuilding and parts sales company. They have been in business for 40 years and have made Morgan Hill their home for the last 27 years.

Jean has taken the role of making sure the correct material ends up in the recycling cart-whether it is at the office or at home. All employees are on board with the program, but at times need some reminders of what belongs in the recycling containers. Small recycle bins are placed around the office to make it more convenient to recycle.

Leaman has a dumpster for cardboard and rolling cart for other recyclables. The driver that empties the recycle cart nominated them for the award. He noticed they only put correct items in the cart and thinks they do a good job. They are a small family business, but every effort businesses make to recycle and reduce waste helps our environment. William and Jean know that their participation in the recycling program helps conserve our natural resources.

They recycle at home too, of course, but have also made improvements that help the environment. Years ago they installed energy efficient windows, added insulation in the ceiling and replaced their toilets for more water efficient ones.

Thank you Leaman Equipment!



William and his daughter Shannon.



Home Composting Workshops in Morgan Hill

Discover the benefits of gardening using your own compost! You can learn basic backyard composting techniques in a fun and simple to understand lecture format. Join us for a FREE 2 hour workshop taught by a Santa Clara County Master Composter on either Saturday, May 2nd or Saturday September 26th from 10am-12pm at the Morgan Hill Centennial Recreation Center, Multi-Purpose Room North. A free compost bin will be given to one lucky participant! Pre-registration is required. Please call **(408) 918-4640** to or visit www.reducewaste.org to register.

Compost Giveaway- Saturday May 9th

On Saturday May 9th, 9am-1pm, Recology South Valley will be giving away compost at Morgan Hill Community Park in the parking lot across from the tennis courts.

Using compost improves the fertility and health of your soil, helps with water retention and reduces water run-off.

You may take up to two 32-gallon cans of compost per household.

Morgan Hill residents only, no commercial customers. Limited supply, first come first served.

Do not plant solely into compost, as compost is no a soil substitute, but rather a soil amendment. Please mix the compost with other soil, 1:2 ratio- one part compost and two parts soil.

Remember to bring your own shovel and container with you.



National River Cleanup Day- Saturday, May 16th

On Saturday, May 16th, The City of Morgan Hill is organizing a Creek Cleanup Event.

National River Clean-Up Day is an opportunity for individuals, families and groups to be a part of the solution to local water pollution. Spend a morning working with your friends and neighbors to improve the health of West Little Llagas and Edmundson creeks. We'll meet at the Corporation Yard at 100 Edes Court at 9am and remove litter until noon. Gloves, bags and litter grabbers will be provided. Participants under 18 will need to bring a volunteer waiver signed by their parents with them the morning of the event. Call **776-7333** or email environ@morganhill.ca.gov for more info, a waiver form or to preregister.



How to Lose your Lawn and Live Happily Ever After

On Tuesday, May 12th, 7-8:30pm, the California Native Plant Society is hosting a talk on how to change your water hungry plants to more water-wise landscaping. You will see a variety of no-lawn landscaping styles and ideas. Get professional tips on removing your lawn, learn how to choose climate-adapted native plants and find out how to qualify for landscape rebates.

This lecture will be held at the Morgan Hill Library, 660 West Main Avenue. Free admission.

For more information, call **650-260-3450** or go to www.cnps-scv.org.

