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Morgan Hill**

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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 **Rosy's at the Beach**.

Rosy's at the Beach opened in 1998 and is a popular downtown restaurant owned by Rich and Rosy Bergin.

Recycling cardboard was easy, but when they first started recycling plastics and metals from the kitchen, Rosy said there were challenges. To overcome the challenges they placed a container, similar to a garbage can, in the kitchen where the staff places the recyclables. That container is emptied into the recycle carts located by their dumpster. Rosy and Rich know they have to make it simple for the program to work. In the bar area, the garbage can is very small compared to the recycle container. Most of the waste from the bar is recyclable.

There are four other businesses that share the garbage and recycle enclosure. Rosy and her "garbage guru" husband, Rich, appreciate all of the businesses working together to make it successful. Rosy says, "There is limited space in the enclosure so it is important to be efficient about how items are discarded, everything has its place."

Rosy's at the Beach doesn't just care about recycling their waste, they also care about recycling water. The glasses of water left behind by customers don't just go down the drain. On busy days, 25 gallons of water is captured and then used to water her plants throughout the restaurant every day.

Thank you Rosy's at the Beach!



Home Composting Workshops

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 Saturday, October 1st 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 or visit www.reducewaste.org click on "Compost" to register.

National River Cleanup Day—Saturday, May 21st

On Saturday, May 21st, 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.



Got Paint?

Paint recycling is more convenient through a non-profit organization called PaintCare that was created to run paint stewardship programs in states like California. PaintCare is funded by a fee paid by paint manufacturers for each can of paint they sell in California. Paint and paint related items such as primers, sealers, stains, varnishes, wood sealers, rust preventatives, waterproofing concrete/masonry/wood sealers, and lawn paints. All PaintCare drop-off sites accept up to 20 gallons of paint per visit. Please call the site in advance to make sure they can accept the amount of paint you would like to recycle. All containers must have lids and original labels, and load them securely in your vehicle.

Morgan Hill Drop Off Location:

Kelly-Moore

820 E. Dunne Ave
Morgan Hill, CA 95037
408-782-2131

(Limit of 20 gallons per visit)



Not Accepted: aerosols (spray paint or other spray products), paint thinners, auto paint, adhesives, traffic marking paint, Industrial Maintenance (IM) coatings, etc.; and containers without original labels, or containers that are leaking or empty.

For a complete list of covered products, please go to www.paintcare.org or call (855) 724-6809.

Compost Giveaway- Saturday May 21st

On Saturday May 21st, 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 (2) 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 not 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.



Recycling Household Batteries

Did you know that you can recycle AAA-D, 9V, rechargeable, and button cell batteries by putting them in a clear, zippered plastic bag on TOP of your recycling cart?

If you didn't know that, and want to make sure you know all the materials that can be recycled with Recology, please go to our website at **RecologySouthValley.com**. Go to the Morgan Hill recycling page and learn more.

