

Recology of San Benito County provides garbage and recycling service to residents, businesses, and multi-family buildings in Hollister, San Juan Bautista, and the surrounding unincorporated areas of San Benito County.

## Mandatory Recycling for Businesses and Multi-Family Complexes

On July 1, 2012, the State adopted AB 341, a mandatory recycling law that affects businesses and multi-family complexes. Businesses that generate at least 4 cubic yards of garbage per week need to have a recycling program, and multi-family complexes with 5 or more units need to have a recycling program.

To help San Benito County businesses meet increased recycling goals, **Recology offers free recycling service and free waste assessments to businesses.** Our Waste Zero specialists will help your business recycle more by providing free training, free posters/flyers and free waste assessments for your entire staff. Please call us at 831-636-7500 or email us at customerservice055@recology.com to set up a free recycling assessment for your business.

For more information about this law, visit [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial)



*Remember, you can now mix all recyclables in your white and blue recycling bins.*

## Country Rose Café Recycles While Serving Delicious Breakfast & Lunch

Tim and Sharon Baker are the owners of Country Rose Café, and they have been open since August 2002.

They started recycling soon after they opened and are very happy that they can now mix all of their recyclables into one recycle bin—no separating! It is now so much more convenient, they know they are recycling more than ever. The employees are all on board, and they feel good about recycling at work.

**Country Rose Café is open 7 days a week, 7am-2pm.**



*Left to right: Kat, Bengi, Ashley, Eva, Amador, Caroline, Sharon & Tim Baker (owners), Hector, Vanessa, Juan and Irma*

## Reminders on Why We Should Recycle

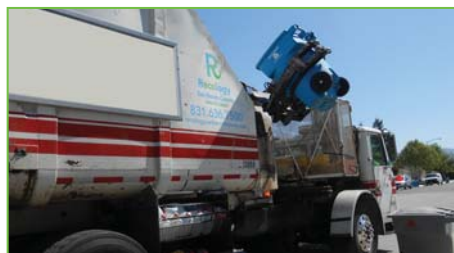
- Less material ends up in landfills, therefore extending the life of landfills
- More money may be saved on your garbage bill if you no longer throw recyclables away
- Less air and water pollution is created
- Natural resources are conserved
- Less greenhouse gases are generated



# Have you ever asked yourself, "Where does it all go?"

Here is what happens to your:

## Recycling



Materials are separated with the work of machines and people at the Material Recovery Facility (MRF).



## Garbage



When material is landfilled, it **cannot** be recycled into new products. Reducing, Reusing and Recycling helps reduce the amount of material that ends up here.



**Give your recyclables a chance to become something new:**



Recyclables are baled, sold and manufactured into new products.

After you put your garbage in your garbage container and your recyclables in your recycle container, and it leaves your business—what happens to it?



## Reduce Litter – Keep Your Community Clean

Litter is a problem throughout California. Litter affects human safety and wildlife. Reducing litter in our communities will improve our environment and contribute to a better quality of life.

**If you do the following, you can reduce litter when your cart or dumpster is emptied:**

- Put shredded paper in a clear bag and tie it closed.
- Bag your plastic bags. When you put single plastic bags in the recycle container, they can become litter and cause problems at the processing facility by getting caught in machinery.
- Bag your garbage. Not only will this reduce litter, it will keep your garbage container clean.

## Cool Things Made from Recycled Steel/Tin Cans



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