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FALL UPDATES

As we approach the end of our first year in Sonoma and Marin counties, we have to take a moment to say "Thank You!" for all of the local support we have received. Have you seen us hosting a table at a community event? We have been to over 60 of them so far this year. We love meeting our customers, answering questions, and providing educational materials. We are truly inspired by how passionate our customers are about recycling AND composting – and doing it correctly too!

Speaking of compost service, we are proud to say that we have added or increased compost service at over 200 commercial accounts this year. This includes schools, restaurants, markets, hardware stores, florists, hospitals, and apartment complexes. That is a lot of material that was once going to the landfill and is now being turned into nutrient-rich compost instead.

That being said, this year has not been without challenges. China continues to enforce it's "National Sword" policy. This places strict regulations on the amount of acceptable contamination allowed in the bales of recyclable materials they import. While some cities in the US have abandoned recycling because of this, we are working harder than ever to make sure our materials are clean and dry so they can continue to be recycled. This means it is imperative to keep contaminates such as food waste and plastic bags out of your recycling bins and carts. One of the worst contaminates we receive are hypodermic needles. We have seen an increase of these mixed with recyclables which is extremely dangerous to our sort-line workers. You can find

A Recology sort line worker sorts a load of single-stream recycling

information on what to do with sharps on page 5 of this newsletter.

Albert Einstein once said "In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity". While recycling is on the forefront of the collective consciousness, we see the challenges we are experiencing as an opportunity to encourage and educate our customers as much as possible. Please reach out if you have any questions, follow us on Facebook, and help us spread the good word of "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Recologize!"

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WHERE?

Recycle

Garbage

Garbage

Garbage

Basura

Basura

Basura

Reciclar

WHERE DOES IT GO?

WHAT?

Plastic Cups Vaso de Plástico



"Compostable" Plastics Plástico Compostable

Plastic Bags & Film Bolsas de plástico

Plastic Utensils & Straws Utensilios y pajitas de plástico

Clear Plastic Clamshells Cajas Para Comida Para Llevar

Shredded Paper

Boxes with Styrofoam

Cajas Con Poliestireno

Waxed Cardboard

Carton Encerado

Milk Cartons

Cartones de Leche

Papel en Trizas

Recycle Reciclar

Compost Abono

Recycle & Garbage Reciclar y Basura

Garbage Basura

Recycle Reciclar



Coffee Cups Taza de Café Garbage ^{Basura}

Food Scraps Restos de Comida

Compost Abono

WHY?

China and Southeast Asia are still accepting this material for recycling as long as it is **empty & dry.**

Does not break down into compost at the facilities where we take material. Cannot be recycled.

Not recyclable in a single-stream system. Gets tangled in sorting equipment.

Not recyclable in a single-stream system. Too small to be sorted. Includes compostable plastics.

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Breaks down into compost. **Contain in paper bags to prevent blowing away.** Too small for recycling.

Styrofoam & film plastic are not recyclable. **Clean & dry** cardboard is recyclable. **Must be separated.**

In most cases "waxed" cardboard actually has a plastic coating. Therefore it cannot be recycled.

Clean & dry milk cartons and aseptic containers such as soy milk and juice boxes are recyclable.

Coffee cups have a plastic liner which prevents them from being recyclable or compostable.

ALL food scraps are compostable. This includes meat, bones, dairy as well as vegetative food scraps.

Try our handy search tool at www.Recology.com/RSMwhatbin!

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE

There will be no service on **Thanksgiving**, **November 22nd**. Customers with Thursday and Friday service will be serviced on Friday and Saturday. **Christmas and New Year's Day** fall on a Tuesday this year. Customers with Tuesday - Friday service will be serviced Wednesday - Saturday. You can always check your service schedule at **www.recology.com/RSMschedules.**

HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING

Fire Station Drop-off available from December 26th - January 16th: Whole trees may be taken to 1 East Cotati Av, daily from 8am-4pm. Flocked trees are NOT accepted.

Sonoma County Transfer Station Drop-off available from December 26th - January 16th: All transfer stations will accept up to (2) unflocked trees at no cost.

Curbside collection available from January 7th - January 11th: Residential customers may place their whole tree on the curb the night before their regular collection day. Trees should be cut in half. Flocked trees will NOT be collected.

CAMBIO DE HORARIO DE LOS SIGUIENTES DÍAS FERIADOS

No habrá servicio de recolección de basura el Jueves 22 de Noviembre de 2018 (DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS). Clientes con servicio de recolección el Jueves tendrán servicio el Viernes Clientes con servicio de recolección el Viernes tendrán servicio el Sábado. NO habrá servicio el Martes 25 de Diciembre de 2018 (NAVIDAD) y el Martes 1 de Enero de 2019 (ANO NUEVO) Recolección de basura será de miércoles a sábado. Puede confirmar sus fechas de servicio en **www.Recology.com/RSMschedules.**

RECICLAJE DE ÁRBOLES DE VACACIONES

Dejar en la estación de bomberos del 26 de diciembre al 16 de enero: Se pueden llevar árboles enteros al 1 Av. East Cotati, todos los días de 8 am a 4 pm. NO se aceptan árboles con nieve artificial.

Entrega de Sonoma County Transfer Station hasta el 16 de enero:

Todas las estaciones aceptarán hasta 2 árboles navideños enteros gratuitamente. NO SE ACEPTAN árboles con nieve artificial.

Clientes Residenciales:

7 al 11 de enero 2019, la noche antes de su día regular de recolección de basura, puede colocar su árbol navideño entero en la acera (banqueta) frente a su residencia. Los árboles deben ser cortados por la mitad. NO serán recogidos árboles con nieve artificial.



Tips For Reducing Holiday Waste

Gifts

- Give a consumable gift. Local honey, cookies or a home cooked meal will always be appreciated.
- Share a service you can provide. Offer car repair, yard work, or home improvement services.
- Make a donation in the recipient's name to a favorite charity.
- Shop for one-of-a-kind gifts at antique stores, estate sales, thrift stores or flea markets.

Gift-Wrap

- Give gifts in reusable tote bags or baskets.
- Design your own gift wrap by using paper bags and adding decorations such as drawings or stamped patterns.
- Wrap gifts in the comics section of the paper, old posters, or maps.
- Reuse your bows, ribbons, boxes, and gift bags

HAZARDOUS WASTE



The Sonoma County Waste Management Agency has several options for residents to properly dispose of household hazardous waste.

The Household Toxics Facility

500 Mecham Rd, Petaluma Thursday - Saturday, 7:30am-2:30pm www.recyclenow.org/toxics/toxics.asp

Community Toxics Collection Events

Collection events are in different areas of Sonoma County every Tuesday from 4-8pm. Events are free to residents. To make an appointment, call 707.795.2025 or email **toxicsdisposal@cleanharbors.com.**

Toxics Rover Pickup Service

Your toxics can be picked up at your home. Appointments are available on Wednesdays for \$50 per pickup. To make an appointment, call 707.795.2025 or email **toxicsdisposal@cleanharbors.com.**

E-Waste is not accepted through the above programs. For information on E-Waste recycling please go to *www.recyclenow.org/toxics/electronics.asp.*

Instalación de productos y residuos tóxicos que se usan para la limpieza del hogar 500 Mecham Rd, Petaluma

Jueves - Sábado, 7:30am-2:30pm

Colección Community Toxics

Este evento se realiza en diferentes áreas de el condado de Sonoma todos los martes de 4-8pm. Éste servicio es disponible solo con cita previa. Para hacer una cita llame al 707.795.2025 o mande un correo electrónico a

toxicsdisposal@cleanharbors.com Para más información visite www.Recyclenow.org/toxics/toxics.asp.

Servicio de recogida de vehículos todoterreno

Los desperdicios de productos tóxicos pueden ser recogidos en su residencia. Este servicio es disponible los Miércoles con cita previa. Llame para hacer una cita 707.795.2025 o mande un correo electrónico **toxicsdisposal@cleanharbors.com**. Para obtener más información visite

www.recyclenow.org/toxics/toxics.asp.

Residuos Electrónicos no es aceptado a través de los programas anteriores. Para obtener información sobre el reciclaje de residuos electrónicos visite

www.recyclenow.org/toxics/electronics.asp.

E-Waste Residuos electrónicos



Motor Oil Aceite de Motor



Sharps Agujas



Batteries *Baterías*



Household Toxics *Residuos Tóxicos*



WASTE ZERO SERVICES

Compost and recycling services are free of charge for all commercial customers. Let our Waste Zero Team help your business, multi-family dwelling, or school divert materials away from the landfill.

WE OFFER (AT NO CHARGE):

- Technical assistance from Waste Zero Specialists
- Employee trainings & school presentations
- Educational tables at events
- Posters, labels, magnets, & window clings
- Indoor green & blue containers

To reach our Waste Zero Team, call **800.243.0291** or email **RecologySonomaMarin@Recology.com**.

We want to thank the following Sonoma County restaurants and markets who have successful compost programs:

Alvarado Street Bakery, Petaluma Amy's Drive Thru, Rohnert Park Andy's Produce Market, Sebastopol Applebee's, Rohnert Park Aroma Roasters, Santa Rosa Arrowood Winery, Glen Ellen Bill's Farm Basket, Sebastopol Bird & The Bottle, Santa Rosa Boxcar Fried Chicken & Biscuits, Sonoma Ca'Bianca Restaurant, Santa Rosa Café Citti, Kenwood Casa Del Mole, Healdsburg Cattlemens Restaurant, Petaluma Chandi Restaurant, Santa Rosa Chill's, Rohnert Park City Garden Doughnuts & Coffee, Santa Rosa Coffee Bazaar, Guerneville Community Market, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol Costco, Rohnert Park Costeaux French Bakery, Healdsburg, Santa Rosa Dhalia & Sage Community Market, Cloverdale Diavola Pizzeria, Geyserville D's Diner, Sebastopol Duke's Spirited Cocktails, Healdsburg El Patio Mexican Food, Santa Rosa El Tarasco, Sebastopol Fishetarian Fish Market, Bodega Bay Flying Goat Coffee, Healdsburg Flying Goat Coffee, Healdsburg Flying Goat Coffee, Healdsburg Goravenstein Aarket, Sebastopol Francis Ford Copola Winery, Geyserville Franco American Bakery, Santa Rosa Fluton Marketplace, Santa Rosa Fluton Marketplace, Santa Rosa Fluton Marketplace, Santa Rosa Gallo Vineyards, Healdsburg Glen Ellen Village Market, Glen Ellen Gravenstein Grill, Sebastopol Hartford Family Winery, Forestville Healdsburg Bar & Grill, Healdsburg Healdsburg Shed, Healdsburg Henny Penny Restaurant, Petaluma Hooters, Rohnert Park Hopmonk Tavern, Sebastopol Ike's Place, Santa Rosa In-N-Out Burger, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park Jackson Family Wines, Santa Rosa Juanita Market, Rohnert Park Kendall Jackson, Fulton, Healosburg, Santa Rosa La Palapa Restaurant, Santa Rosa La Palapa Restaurant, Santa Rosa La Reyna Bakery, Santa Rosa Lagunitas Brewing Company, Petaluma Lola's Market, Healsbrug, Santa Rosa, Petaluma Lombardi's Gourmet Deli, Petaluma Los Tres Chiles, Santa Rosa Lucas Wharf, Bodega Bay Mack's Bar & Grill, Penngrove Marin-Sonoma Produce Co, Petaluma Martha's Old Mexico, Sebastopol Martin Ray Winery, Santa Rosa Mary's Pizza Shack, Santa Rosa, Petaluma, Rohnert Park Matanzas Creek Winery, Santa Rosa Matero's Cocina Latina, Healdsburg Mexico Lindo, Graton Molsberry Market, Santa Rosa Montgomery Village, Santa Rosa Montgomery Village, Santa Rosa Montgomery Village, Santa Rosa Mootle Rice Etc, Guernevile Oakville Grocery, Healdsburg Olive Garden, Rohnert Park Oliver's Market, Santa Rosa, Cotati Outback Steakhouse, Rohnert Park Pacific Market, Santa Rosa Panaderia El Palomo, Cloverdale Papa's Pizza Café, Cloverdale Papa's Pizza Café,



Red Bird Bakery, Santa Rosa Red Lobster, Rohnert Park Redwood Café, Cotati River Rock Casino, Geyserville Rugged Coast Brewing, Santa Rosa Russian River Brewing, Santa Rosa Russian River Pub, Forestville Russian River Vineyard, Forestville Safeway, Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, Sebastopol Sally Tomatoes, Rohnert Park Screamin' Mimi's, Sebastopol Sesmic Brewing, Santa Rosa Shari's Diner, Rohnert Park Shelton's Natural Foods Market, Healdsburg Siduri Winery, Santa Rosa Silver Oak Cellars, Healdsburg Simi Winery Vineyards, Healdsburg Singlethread Farm Restaurant, Healdsburg Super Market, Santa Rosa Steele & Hops, Santa Rosa Stark's Steakhouse, Santa Rosa Stormy's Bloomfield Tavern, Petaluma Super Latino Market, Santa Rosa Super Market Rancho Mendoza, Santa Rosa Taqueria El Sombrero, Healdsburg Taqueria Los Primos, Santa Rosa The Fig Café, Glen Ellen Underwood Bar & Bistro, Graton Union Hotel Restaurant, Occidental Verite Winery, Healdsburg Vinwood Cellard, Geyserville Viva Mexico, Sebastopol Whole Foods Market, Petaluma, Sebastopol, Santa Rosa Willow Wood Market, Graton Zini's Diner, Cloverdale