## THE COMMERCIAL CONNECTION

**April 2019** 

KEEPING US CONNECTED TO THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE

Recology of San Benito County provides Recycling, Organics, and Garbage collection service to Residents, Businesses, and Multi-Family buildings in Hollister, San Juan Bautista, and the surrounding unincorporated areas of San Benito County.



# Jayleaf, LLC is Awarded the Agricultural Green Business Leader Award!

Jayleaf LLC, a leafy greens organic food manufacturer in San Benito County, was awarded the first Agricultural Green Business Leader Award on February 16, 2019 at the San Benito County Chamber Dinner Dance Award Ceremony.

A family owned business operating since 2005, Jayleaf LLC is the first food manufacturer in San Benito County to become CA Green Business Certified and the only certified leafy green manufacturer in the state! They operate on 100% solar energy, reduce packaging via sustainable product design, use certified green cleaning products and energy efficient lighting and equipment, and repurpose water to nearby farms. Jayleaf paves the way for sustainable California agricultural businesses.

Thank you Jayleaf for being local and state leaders of green business efforts!



Jayleaf is a certified CA Green Business who reduces waste, operates on 100% solar energy, uses less packaging, and implements many energy and water conservation measures.

#### Congratulations to Our Green Business Leaders of San Benito County!

Hats off to the following businesses for their CA Green Business Certification:

Jayleaf, LLC
Suprema, LLC
Fisher's Restaurant
Lolla
Body Mechanics Massage Studio

These San Benito County Certified Green Businesses lead by example by reducing their environmental impact and preventing pollution. Certified CA Green Businesses conserve resources and save money on their operations by reducing waste and increasing water conservation and energy efficiency.

Become a Green Business Leader Today! San Benito County businesses who enroll in the CA Green Business Program will receive FREE technical support, water, energy and waste assessments, free promotion and marketing, and gain access to rebates through our local San Benito County Green Business Program.

To learn more about the CA Green Business Program visit **www.greenbusinessca.org** or contact San Benito County Green Business Specialist, Robbie Brown at rbrown@ecoact.org.

### Businesses Benefit from Free Recycling Assessments

Businesses can get free assessments from a specialist to help recycle more. According to Ross Guberman from Waste Dive, waste assesments can help businesses reduce waste, save money, and improve the environment.



Avoid fines



🚵 Comply with California Assembly Bill AB 341 for Recycling



🚵 Comply with California Assembly Bill AB 1826 for Food Waste



Reduce operating costs



To learn more about the benefits of waste assesments for businesses go to the article at this link

https://www.wastedive.com/news/how-important-are-waste-auditssan-franciscos-mandate-speaks-volumes/546441/

#### FREE Commercial Technical Assistance from Recology

As a business, you want to run your operations cost effectively and efficiently, while being mindful of your impacts to the environment and our communities! Recology is here to help your business and environmental impact. This includes conducting a waste assessment, staff/janitorial training, providing internal



containers and signage for garbage, recycling and organics. Recology Waste Zero Team will provide the tools you need to divert your waste. By making these green changes, not only will your staff be more conscious about wasted resources but your business may see long term cost savings!

## FREE Buddy Bags for Multi-Family Tenants!

Recology is proud to provide tenants a personal Buddy Bag to transport recyclable items to the outside recycling bins! This Buddy Bag can be stored in a convenient location at home to be used to collect recyclables, carried to the recycling area, and emptied into the blue recycling container outside. After that, you can bring it back home and rinse it or use a wet wipe when needed, let it air dry, and reuse it OVER and OVER again!

If you would like to know examples of acceptable items that can be put into this buddy bag, please refer to the Multi-Family Recycling Guide!



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