

Don't Miss Fall Cleanup Day!



Don't miss your chance to get rid of unwanted items. The Fall Cleanup Day event takes place on November 2 from 8am until noon on Mare Island.

The annual Fall Cleanup Day provides Vallejo residents easy disposal of excess trash and bulky items. The event is sponsored by the City of Vallejo and **Recology Vallejo**. There is no extra charge for Vallejo residents for this service. It will be held on Saturday, November 2, from 8am until noon at Railroad Street on Mare Island.

Standard pickups, smaller vehicles, and small trailers may use the service, but larger box trucks like rental moving trucks are not allowed. This service is for residents only. Commercial businesses and contractors will be turned away. Proof of Vallejo residency is required to participate.

Acceptable items for disposal include up to 9 tires, e-waste (anything with a plug), furniture, garbage, mattresses, refrigerators and other appliances, and metal objects.

Items that are not allowed include chemicals, household hazardous waste, sharps, medical waste, or construction and demolition debris.

Participants enter Mare Island from Highway 37. Mare Island Bridge access is not allowed.

Holiday Tree Recycling

Local nonprofit groups will collect holiday trees for a small donation after Christmas. Look for notices of collection times and help support local community groups.

If your tree is free of all ornaments, nails, tinsel, and stand, just cut it up and place it in the green yardwaste cart. Trees can be placed in yardwaste carts at any time during the year. Trees that are not free of these materials and all flocked trees must go in the gray garbage cart. They cannot be recycled.

Landlords, Check Your Account

Landlords are urged to check the account status of their rental property. In Vallejo it is the property owner, not the tenant, who is responsible for the payment of garbage bills. Notices of overdue accounts are mailed in January, April, and June. Unpaid bills, along with additional penalties, can result in assessments against your property. Customers can easily avoid these issues by periodically checking their accounts. Call us at 552-3110 with your account number to check the account status.

Holiday Schedule

Refuse collections will not be made on Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 28. Thursday customers will have materials collected on Friday, November 29. Friday customers will have materials collected on Saturday, November 30.

Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Wednesdays this year. There will be no collections on these holidays. All collections will take place one day later than regularly scheduled. Friday collections will take place on Saturday.

The **Recycling Facility** in Vallejo will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

Holiday schedule information is available at:

recology.com

Flip-the-Lid Success



Members of the California Conservation Corps (pictured above) helped inspect customers' blue recyclables carts for the "Flip-the-Lid" program. A "Congratulations" tag was attached

to carts that only contained proper materials. Contaminated carts were tagged, and customers had to remove the problem materials or pay to have the carts collected as trash.

Check the list on the back to make sure only acceptable materials are placed in your blue cart.



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Vallejo Views

The Recology Way!



The **Recology** team processes materials collected from our waterways on Coastal Cleanup Day. (Photo by Will Smith)

Over 800 Vallejo volunteers cleared 15,000 pounds of debris from Vallejo waterways during Coastal Cleanup Day on September 21. Volunteers collected materials that were either trashed or recycled by **Recology Vallejo**. Coastal Cleanup

Accepted Blue Cart Recyclables

Paper-Newspaper, boxes, bags, cardboard (flattened), magazines, catalogs, glossy paper, phone books, softcover books, shredded paper in paper bags, junk mail, envelopes, all colors of office paper.

Glass-All beverage and food containers in all colors. Empty container, rinse, and remove lid or cap.

Plastic-All #1 through #7 narrow-neck bottles (water, soda, and detergent bottles), trays and containers. All California Redemption Value (CRV) containers. Plastic tubs for margarine, butter, yogurt, etc. Empty all containers and rinse.

Metal-Food and beverage cans (aluminum, steel, and tin). Rinse. Clean aluminum pans or foil. Empty aerosol cans. Loose lids from jars.

The following materials are not recyclable. Check website or call for proper disposal instructions.

Never Mix With Blue Cart Recyclables

Paper-No hardcover books or binders; soiled papers, food wrappings, napkins, tissues or towels, waxed paper milk cartons or waxed paper juice cartons.

Glass-No drinking glasses; ceramics; window glass or mirrors; light bulbs or fluorescent tubes.

Plastic-No plastic toys, cups, garden hoses, etc.; plastic bags; Styrofoam; clam-shell food containers; PVC or other piping.

Metal-No electronic or computer equipment; hangers; scrap metal; fuel or propane tanks, etc.

in Vallejo was sponsored by **Recology Vallejo**, Valcore Recycling, Greater Vallejo Recreation District, and the City of Vallejo.

Holiday Waste Solution

Take advantage of Bulky Item Collections to help clear holiday trash. Residential customers may schedule up to two collections each year at no extra charge. Two cubic yards of material may be set out for each collection. Contact us at 552-3110 at least one day before your regular collection day to schedule your Bulky Item Collection.

Welcome Jamie!

Jamie Smith was ready for a new challenge after working three years in Customer Service for **Recology Vacaville Solano**. She was hired in April as the Waste Zero Specialist for **Recology Vallejo**.



Jamie Smith
Waste Zero Specialist

"I feel like this is what I was meant to do," Jamie says. "I love my job, and Vallejo is such a beautiful community. Reducing the amount of waste we generate helps us all. I get to help people and businesses every day."

Jamie lives in Vacaville with her fiancé Tommy, son Jaxon (age 9), son Armor (age 7), and daughter Ruby (age 1). When not working, she is busy with the children's sports and school schedules. The family enjoys attending Vallejo Admiral ball games.

Commercial Customer Regulations

California state law now requires commercial customers who generate more than four cubic yards of waste to subscribe to both recycling service and organic service. Organic waste includes plant material either from landscaping maintenance or food preparation. Customers can comply with the law by diverting waste from your trash container to your recyclables.

Waste Zero experts are available to you through **Recology**. These experts will help you comply with AB 1826 and other regulations. We will help you implement a customized program that works best for you. Get started by calling us at 552-3110 or contacting us through recology.com.

Assembly Bill 1826

- Adopted September 28, 2014.
- On and after April 1, 2016, businesses that generate 8 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2017, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2019, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- Returning organic materials to soils reduces greenhouse gases and conserves landfill space.
- Food is the largest single source (15.5%) of all waste in California.
- More than six million tons of food products are discarded in California landfills every year.
- The **Recology** compost facility has been converting food waste and green waste into rich organic compost for years.

Learn more at calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/



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