



MOUNTAIN VIEW RECYCLING

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NEW RECOLOGY AGREEMENT

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

In October 2020, the City Council approved a 10-year contract with Recology. The new contract includes program enhancements to help meet the City's Zero Waste goal of diverting 90% of materials from landfill by 2030, and has an expanded organics collection service that complies with State regulations.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW AGREEMENT INCLUDE:

SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS

More Reuse: The On-Call Plus Clean-Up Program has been revamped to maximize reuse opportunities. Recology will now operate a special route to carefully collect reusable household items for donation to partner reuse organizations. This change in operation will send material to people in need instead of a landfill for disposal. To allow time for these changes and to offset the associated cost, **beginning in 2022**, the number of annual clean-up

appointments available will be reduced from three to two.
Residents who have used both appointments can still obtain a self-haul voucher to the SMaRT Station.

Curbside Textile
Recycling: Starting
July 1, 2021, clothing and other textiles
may be placed in a
clearly marked bag
next to your carts
on collection day.



Recology will partner with local non-profits to donate items for reuse as part of the expanded On-Call Plus Clean-Up Program.

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS

Composting Program: Recology will provide compost collection services for all complexes.

Bulky Item Collection: Managers of 9+ unit housing will be able to schedule a twice yearly collection of bulky items (furniture, e-waste, household appliances, and bagged textiles).

BUSINESSES

Expanded Composting Program: All businesses will receive compost collection service to meet the State organics mandate.

Technical Assistance: Recology outreach staff will support commercial, multi-family, and school recycling and composting programs. Specialists will assist businesses with new State edible food recovery requirements.

OTHER BENEFITS

New Carts: Replace all recycling and compost containers with blue (recycling) and green (compost) containers per State requirements. Many carts are old and beyond their normal lifespan. Beginning in July 2021, the City will replace containers using the State required color coding. The color requirement is for consistent messaging statewide, so no matter where you live or work the container colors are the same.

Collection Vehicle Fuel: Switch from compressed natural gas (CNG) and regular diesel to renewable diesel. Renewable diesel is produced using fats and vegetable oils. It combusts more efficiently by emitting less carbon monoxide and particulate matter compared to CNG, and has lower life-cycle greenhouse gas impacts.

See State law info back page >>>

MATERIALS RECOVERY IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

SMART STATION

Ever wonder what happens to Mountain View's garbage, recycling and compostables? Our system is a bit unique. Recology collects these materials and delivers them to the Sunnyvale Materials Recovery and Transfer (SMaRT) Station. Created through a partnership of the cities of Mountain View, Palo Alto and Sunnyvale, the SMaRT Station® is one of the largest and most efficient materials recovery facilities in the United States. It is not a landfill. In fact, the purpose of this sorting and transfer station is to prevent valuable resources from ending up in the landfill.

RECOVERY FROM GARBAGE

Recyclable material is pulled from the garbage through mechanical and manual sorting. On average, SMaRT diverts 25 to 30 percent of garbage received. Remaining garbage is taken to Kirby Canyon Landfill in San Jose. But please keep sorting your recyclables, as the sorters and equipment can't capture everything and cleaner materials have a higher resale value.

RECYCLING

Recyclable materials collected from residents and businesses are sorted and prepared to ship to market. The revenue produced helps reduce the cost of providing the service.

YARD TRIMMINGS AND FOOD SCRAPS

Organic materials are processed and shipped to a composting facility. Finished compost is available to residents at no charge (see page 8).



MOUNTAIN VIEW RECYCLING CENTER

The City's recycling center is operated by Recology at 935 Terra Bella Avenue and provides residents a convenient location to drop-off extra cardboard and recyclables including empty aerosol cans, e-waste, metal scrap, and textiles (see full list of accepted items on page 8).

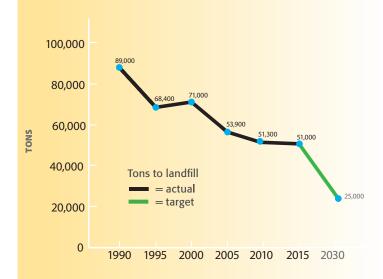
The center is also a State certified redemption center and is open to the public for redemption of certain bottles and cans for the deposit paid upon purchase. Redeeming containers at the Mountain View Buy Back center keeps revenues working for your community because the additional revenues are returned to the utility fund to help keep trash rates low.

During COVID-19 restrictions, the buy-back center for bottle and can California Redemption Value (CRV) is only open by appointment. Please visit **Recology. com** or call (650) 967-3034 to make an appointment. Visit **MountainView.gov/MVRC** for more information about the recycling center.

The CRV buy-back at the SMaRT Station is also open by appointment only. Please visit **SunnyvaleSmartStation. com** or call (408) 752-8530 to make an appointment.

What is Zero Waste?

Zero Waste is a philosophy that embraces not only our traditional ideas about reduce, reuse, and recycle, but also modern ideas about considering the entire life-cycle of products, processes and systems to eliminate "waste." Mountain View's adopted Zero Waste Policy sets quantifiable goals and commits the City to reducing waste generation and landfill disposal. The chart illustrates the City's past progress in reducing landfill disposal and a look at where a zero waste strategy could take us.





CONFIDENTIAL PAPER SHREDDING

SMaRT Station, 301 Carl Road, Sunnyvale

Saturdays March 6, July 10, and November 6 8 am to Noon

Protect your privacy by shredding confidential papers such as bank statements, pay stubs, cancelled checks and credit offers.

- · Limit 5 bags or boxes per household.
- · Bring proof of residency.
- NO metal clips, binders, CD's, DVD's or batteries.
 Paper clips/staples/rubber bands ok.
- Check materials before arrival and remove all non-paper items.

Call (408) 752-8530 or (650) 903-6311 for information.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF

Saturday, August 14, in Mountain View. By Appointment Only

Accepts e-waste, paint, oil, pesticides, cleaning and pool chemicals, propane or helium tanks, smoke detectors, thermostats, medications, syringes, needles, household batteries, fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, fire extinguishers, flares, and more.

Make an appointment by contacting the County of Santa Clara at **(408) 299-7300** or **www.hhw.org**. Location is not revealed until appointment is scheduled to ensure safe collection by professional staff and prevent unauthorized drop offs.



HOME COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS

Senior Center, 266 Escuela Avenue, Multi-Purpose Room A*

Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m. to noon

Attend a free workshop and learn:

- Basics of backyard and worm composting
- · Keys to building, harvesting and using your soil
- · Tools needed for composting

Compost bins available for purchase

Registration required. Visit ucanr.edu/compost or call the Rotline (408) 918-4640.

*Event may change to webinar if COVID-19 restrictions occur







Trash and Recycling Collection Services

Recology Mountain View (650) 967-3034 Recology.com ContactUsRMV@recology.com

- Missed pickups
- Service questions
- Clean up and bulky good collection services
- Business recycling
- Debris/Recycling boxes
- Recycling Center
- · Larger or extra carts
- · Cart Repairs

Utility and Trash Billing

City Finance Department (650) 903-6317

- Start, stop or change accounts
- Billing inquiries/Rates
- Extra trash tags

Recycling and Zero Waste Program

Public Works Department (650) 903-6311 MVrecycle.org recycle@mountainview.gov

- · Resource newsletter
- Recycling questions
- · Event details

SMaRT Station

301 Carl Road, Sunnyvale (408) 752-8530

- Self-haul disposal (fees apply)
- · Recycling Center
- Compost availability (free, limits apply)
- Tours

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SINGLE-FAMILY SERVICE

Where to Set Out Carts

Set out all carts by 7 a.m. on collection day with wheels against the curb. Leave at least 18 inches between carts, and keep away from over-hanging items (like street signs, trees, balconies and basketball hoops). Remove carts no later than the next day after collection and store carts out of street view (inside garage, behind fence or hedge). No carts on top of curb unless there is no room on street due to parked cars. Do not block sidewalk.



Leave 18-24 inches between carts

HAVE FXTRA TRASH?

Purchase extra trash tags for \$6 from most local Safeway and Nob Hill stores, City Hall (Finance Department, 2nd floor), or the Mountain View Recycling Center (Tuesdays-Saturdays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.). Attach one tag to each 32-gallon trash bag and place next to your trash cart.

How to Recycle

Mixed Paper

Place in paper side of split cart (grey lid).

Cardboard

Flatten all cardboard, Place small pieces on paper side of split cart. Cut or fold large pieces to 3' x 3', tie or tape bundles, and place next to cart. Take large amounts of cardboard to Mountain View Recycling Center (see page 8).

EXTRA RECYCLING

Set out no more than 2 extra containers of recycling next to cart-cans and bottles in one paper bag or box and paper in another. No plastic bags please. If you regularly have extra recycling, order a larger or second cart.

Household Batteries/Cell Phones

To reduce risk of fire, tape positive (+) end, seal in bag (available from Recology), set on top of cart. Place cell phones in separate, clear bag.



Compact Fluorescent Bulbs (CFLs)

Place in clear, resealable plastic bag and set on curb next to recycling cart (no tubes).

Mixed Containers

Place in container side of split cart (blue lid).

Motor Oil and Filters

Put used motor oil in clear, one-gallon, plastic jug with screw-top lid. Put filters in clear. resealable plastic bag. Set on curb. Jugs and bags available from Recology.

Used Cooking Oil

Put in a clear plastic bottle or jug with screwtop lid and set on curb next to recycling cart.

EXTRA YARD TRIMMINGS

On your regular compost collection day, you may set out no more than 2 extra containers of yard trimmings (please put food scraps only in the cart). Use large paper lawn and leaf bags (available at home, hardware and garden stores) or plastic cans. Limit 32-gallons and 50 pounds per container. No metal cans or plastic bags please. If you regularly have extra trimmings, order a larger or second cart.

What goes where? See page 6 of the Resource for guide or search online at MountainView.gov/WhatGoesWhere



MULTI-FAMILY SERVICE

How to Recycle

Multi-family complexes share group carts for recycling—tan carts for paper and cardboard and grey carts for containers.

Containers

Place glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles, plastic jugs, tubs and lids, metal cans and lids, and soup and milk cartons in the grey cart. No plastic bags.



Cardboard

Flatten all cardboard. Place small pieces in the tan cart. Cut or fold large pieces to no larger

than 3' x 3', tie or tape bundles, and place next to cart.

Some complexes have white Cardboard Only bins. If you don't have a bin, take large amounts of cardboard to Mountain View Recycling Center (see page 8).

Paper

Place newspaper, mixed paper and food boxes in the tan cart. No frozen or refrigerated food boxes.

Buddy Bags

Specially designed bags are available for residents to carry sorted recyclables to shared carts. Property representatives should call Recology to inquire about how to obtain free bags.



ROW HOUSES

Where to Set Out Carts

- Row houses are single-family homes typically attached to each other with common walls, or slightly separated. Garages usually face a narrow private drive.
- Check your CCRs for the specified collection location, especially for units on dead-end drives.
- Do not place carts within a 20 foot wide drive aisle. Carts should be placed in front of garages or to the side (2 feet from any pipes).
- · Carts must be stored in garages (or side yards if available) before and after collection.
- · Keep carts away from over-hanging items (like street signs, trees, balconies and basketball hoops).



Safety First!

Many rowhouse and townhome developments have small landscape strips located between garages. Sometimes water and gas lines are located in these areas. Please be careful when placing carts out for service, as the collection truck lifting arm can accidently hit and damage these pipes. Allow at least 2 feet of clearance between your cart and any pipes.

RECYCLING CART

CONTAINERS

Blue lid side of split cart **Grey cart at multi-family**

- · Aluminum cans and clean foil
- Glass bottles and jars (no other glass)
- Metal cans and lids (no other metals)
- Plastic bottles, tubs, jugs, jars, and lids (no clamshells or other plastic)
- Milk, juice, soup cartons (refrigerated and shelf-stable)



Unsure if it's recyclable?

Search online at MountainView.gov/WhatGoesWhere For mobile phones, download the "Recology" App from the Apple or Google App stores

PAPER

Grey lid side of split cart Tan cart at multi-family

- · All paper must be free of food residue
- Cardboard (small, flattened)*
- · Catalogs and junk mail
- Cereal/food/shoe boxes
- Gift wrap (no metallic)
- Magazines
- Newspaper
- · Manila folders
- Paperback books (no hardbacks)
- Paper bags
- Phone books
- Receipts
- * For large cardboard see page 4 for Single Family, page 5 for Multi-Family

TRASH CART

- Empty aerosol cans*
- Black plastic
- Ceramics and porcelain
- Plastic clamshells (fruit and vegetable containers, plastic takeout containers)
- Diapers and pet waste (bagged)
- Foam and plastic egg cartons
- Frozen and refrigerated food boxes
- Juice pouches
- · Mirrors, window glass, Pyrex
- Photographs
- · Plastic bags, film and wrap
- Plastic cups, plates, and utensils (including those marked compostable)
- Plastic planter pots
- Pots and pans (and other metal)*
- Snack wrappers and papers
- Foam containers or Styrofoam™ of any kind
- Tyvek or padded envelopes
- *Accepted at Mountain View Recycling Center during drop-off hours (page 8). Residents only, bring ID.













COMPOST CART

Compost all food and food-soiled paper

- · Bread, pasta, cereal and grains
- Dairy products (solids and semi-solids)
- Eggshells, nutshells, seafood shells
- Fruit/vegetables, peels/pits, cobs/husks
- Leftover or spoiled food
- · Meat, fish and chicken, including bones
- · Coffee grounds, paper filters and tea bags
- · Paper egg cartons and mushroom boxes
- Paper plates and cups, take out boxes
- Paper towels and napkins
- Pizzeria boxes (no frozen food boxes)
- Waxed paper
- · Branches and prunings (under 4' long and 6" in diameter)
- Flower bouquets or plants
- · Grass, leaves and weeds

No liquids, compostable plastic PLA food ware, frozen or refrigerated food boxes, bathroom waste, tissue, pet waste, bamboo canes, cactus, ice plant, palm fronds, yucca, or landscape materials (stakes, bender board, trellis, pickets)

















WHERE TO RECYCLE						
THE KEY	COLLECT	ION SERVICE		DROP OF	SERVICE	
 Accepts the listed material Appointment required, call Recology Accepted in On Call Plus, appointment required (apartments, call Recology for fee service) Fee required, call for pricing (SMaRT fee waived for residents using On Call Plus Voucher) Appointment required, see page 9 	SPLIT CART SINGLE- FAMILY HOMES	GROUP CARTS MULTI- FAMILY HOMES	MOUNTAIN VIEW RECYCLING CENTER (SEE PAGE 8) BRING ID	SMART STATION (SEE PAGE 8)	COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM (SEE PAGE 9)	TAKE-BACK LOCATIONS (SEE PAGE 9)
CONTAINERS						
Cartons (milk, juice, soy, soup)	-					
Glass bottles and jars		•	•	•		
Metal cans and lids	•	•	•			
Plastic bottles, tubs, jars, jugs, and lids		-	•	•		
PAPER						
Cardboard — flattened						
Mixed paper						
ORGANICS						
Christmas Trees		■#		= \$		
Yard Trimmings and food scraps			■#	■ \$ (no food)		
ELECTRONICS (E-WASTE)				(1.0.1000)		
Batteries (household)						
Cell phones						
Misc. electronics (computers, printers, VCR/DVD players)	О	О				
Televisions	О	О				
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Appliances—Freon (air conditioners, refrigerators)	0	0		s		
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Appliances—Small (counter-top size appliances)	0	0	■#	•		
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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE						
Medicine					*	•
Paint				(M-F Only)	*	
Other household hazardous waste					*	
Sharps (hypodermic needles)				•	*	-

RECYCLING CENTERS

MOUNTAIN VIEW RECYCLING CENTER

935 Terra Bella Avenue • (650) 967-3034 RecologyMountainView.com



OPERATING HOURS

Buy-back Center: Open by appointment only during COVID-19 restrictions. **Visit Recology.com** or call (650) 967-3034 to make an appointment. **Drop Off**: Monday—Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

BUY BACK CENTER

Redeem California Redemption Value (CRV) bottles and cans for cash during buy-back hours.

PREPAID TRASH TAGS AND VOUCHERS

Purchase extra trash tags or pick up clean-up program exchange vouchers Tuesday—Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

DROP OFF RECYCLING

The following items are accepted during drop off hours. Residents only, bring ID.

Curbside Recyclables

 Everything that is accepted in the curbside program, except motor oil (see pages 4 and 6 for accepted items)

Other Recyclables

Leave these items with the attendant:

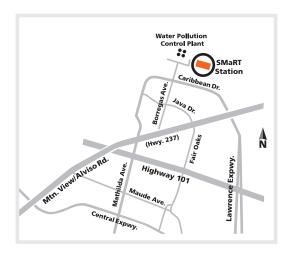
- Aerosol cans (empty)
- Clothing and shoes for donation
- E-waste computers, monitors, printers, TVs, etc.
- Metal scrap less than 6 feet long (pots, pans, trays, utensils, tools and other small all-metal items)
- Textiles unusable clothes, sheets, blankets, towels

Large Items (you must call ahead)

- Appliances—no refrigerators, freezers or air conditioners
- · Mattresses and box springs
- Wood and lumber—clean only, no painted or treated wood
- Yard trimmings (no food scraps)

SMART STATION

301 Carl Road • (408) 752-8530 Sunnyvale.ca.gov, search for *Recycling Center*



The SMaRT Station is the materials recovery and refuse transfer facility shared by the cities of Mountain View, Palo Alto and Sunnyvale. In addition to processing collected trash, recycling and yard trimmings, the Station has a CRV buy-back center, a recycling drop-off area and accepts debris from the public (fees apply).

OPERATING HOURS

Daily 7 days a week, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

BUY BACK CENTER

Redeem California Redemption Value (CRV) bottles and cans for cash. By appointment only. Visit **Sunnyvale.SmartStation.com** or call (408) 752-8530 for an appointment.

DROP OFF SERVICES

See table on page 7 for list of items accepted at the recycling center free of charge, including mattresses. See page 10 for Clean Up Program Vouchers.

REUSE TRAILER

Take home items rescued from cleanup programs for free. Located in the Recycling Center area.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Take-Back Locations

PAINT

PaintCare.org operates a paint stewardship program to ensure convenient recycling locations for paint products. Returning your paint through this program saves the City money. For a full list of accepted products and take back locations, visit hhw.org. Stores accept up to 5 gallons of leftover paint (latex, oil, coatings, primer, stain, varnish). Calling ahead is recommended.

Dunn-Edwards

1949 W. El Camino Real (650) 964-4526

SMaRT Station

M-F Only See page 8 for location and hours

Kelly Moore

180 E. El Camino Real (650) 964-5220

Kelly Moore

411 Fairchild Drive (650) 961-0750



FLUORESCENT BULBS AND BATTERIES

These retailers have partnered with the Household Hazardous Waste Program to make disposal of bulbs and batteries easier for residents. Call ahead for limits. Visit hhw.org for more locations.

CFLs, tubes and household batteries:

Ace Hardware of Mountain View

2555 Charleston Road (650) 528-2123

Bruce Bauer Lumber & Supply

134 San Antonio Circle (650) 948-1089

Blossom True Value Hardware

1297 W. El Camino Real (650) 964-7871

SMaRT Station

See page 8 (residents only)

Mountain View Recycling Center*

See page 8 (residents only)

*Does not accept tubes

CFLs and tubes only:

Stanford Electric

126 San Antonio Circle (650) 323-4139



Go to

HHW.org to

double-check

location

information

All locations in Mtn. View

Walgreens Pharmacy

121 E. El Camino Real, Mtn. View (650) 961-7555

Kaiser Mountain View

555 Castro Street (650) 903-2159

Visit **SCCMeds.org**

to find additional medication drop-off locations



By Appointment Drop Off

Please dispose of hazardous waste properly by making an appointment at a free drop-off event. **NEVER** place any hazardous waste in trash or recycling. Doing so puts workers who sort materials at the SMaRT Station at risk. The program is funded by Mountain View and other cities for residents' convenience. Appointments required. To find a location and schedule an appointment, call (408) 299-7300 or visit hhw.org.



ACCEPTED ITEMS

- Batteries (household only)
- Fire extinguishers
- Flares
- Fluorescent bulbs and tubes:
- Hypodermic needles
- · Medicine (use take-back locations when possible)
- Paint (use take-back locations when possible)
- Pesticides
- Pool chemicals
- Propane canisters/tanks
- · Smoke detectors
- Solvents
- Thermometers
- Thermostats

MOTOR OIL AND FILTERS

Visit hhw.org for a list of certified used oil collection centers.

CLEAN UP PROGRAMS

On Call Plus

Eligible residents with curbside cart service may schedule three (3) free appointments each year, to set out extra trash, recycling or yard trimmings PLUS up to three bulky items, such as appliances or furniture. Service is available for a fee for apartments with shared trash bins (arrange with Recology).

Call Recology at (650) 967-3034 to schedule an appointment and follow the set out guidelines illustrated below. Visit MVrecycle.org for a detailed list of accepted items.

HOW-TO SET OUT

Group items for collection by different trucksrecycling, yard trimmings, trash and bulky goods.

Set out up to 3 bulky items.



Contain loose items in boxes, bags and bundles that each weigh no more than 50 pounds and 4 feet in length. Place all items in an area no larger than 8 feet long by 4 feet high

and 4 feet wide.

VOUCHERS

week in advance.

On Call appointments may be exchanged for a voucher to self-haul

items directly to the SMaRT Station

(see map page 8). Each voucher is

good for one vehicle entrance. Call

Recology to request voucher one



Bin for a Day

Have a clean-up project that is too small for a debris box? For a fee, Recology will deliver a 4-yard dumpster to your property. You load it up—they pick it up (within 7 days of delivery). This service is available to all residents and businesses.

RecycleMyJunk

Want someone else to do your clean-up? For a fee, Recology can do the heavy lifting and removal for you! Call Recology for an estimate.

Re-Use Organizations

Before you throw it out, repair it or see if someone else can use it! In addition to Goodwill and Salvation Army, try these resources:

NextDoor.com: Offer your items for free or sale to nearby neighbors

ExcessAccess.org: Links donations of business and household items with the wish-lists of nearby nonprofits that can provide pick-ups or accept drop-offs.

Fogster.com: Offers free classified ads in conjunction with local newspaper Mountain View Voice.

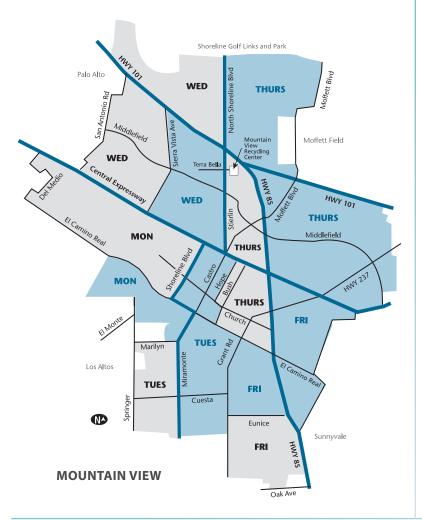
Freecycle.org: Everything posted must be offered free of charge. Search the site for the local groups, each is moderated by a local volunteer and is free to join.

Habitat.org/restores: Habitat for Humanity ReStores accept donations of household goods, appliances, furniture, and building supplies.

Repair Café: Visit a local Repair Café event to get help fixing electronic devices and small appliances like toasters and blenders, and mending clothes. For the next event date and location visit RepairCafeMV.org. Repair Café is a volunteer-run community service.



2021 CURBSIDE COLLECTION



Find Your Collection Day

EVERY WEEK trash and compost carts are collected.

What is my collection day? Locate your neighborhood on the map to find what day is your collection day.



Find Your Recycling Week

EVERY OTHER WEEK recycling carts are collected (along with trash and compost).

Which is my recycling week?

On the map note the color of your neighborhood—blue or grey. Then refer to the 2021 calendar below. For example: On Church Street between Hope and Castro, trash and compost collection is every

Tuesday and recycling collection is every other Tuesday on blue weeks, beginning on January 5.



trash, compost, recycling

Find collection day schedules and set up service reminders at **MountainView.gov/MySchedule.**





2021 HOLIDAYS

Collection occurs on all holidays except Thanksgiving (November 25), Christmas (December 25) and New Year's Day (January 1).

If your collection day falls on or after the holiday, collection will occur one day later that week. For example, for a Thursday holiday, Thursday collection will take place on Friday and Friday collection will take place on Saturday.

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POSTAL CUSTOMER

SB 1383 & FOOD SCRAP COMPOSTING

Effective in 2022, California's Senate Bill 1383 sets targets for jurisdictions to keep organics out of the landfill thereby reducing methane emissions and giving valuable resources a second life as compost. Residents with compost (yard trimmings) service can help reach this statewide goal by placing food and food-soiled paper in their compost container.

The City's 2018 waste characterization study found that food scraps and food-soiled paper make up 46% of the material going into resident garbage carts. This is our greatest opportunity for improvement—we can reduce these materials from going to the landfill through participation in the curbside composting program.



KITCHEN FOOD SCRAP COLLECTION TOOL

Get your FREE kitchen pail—this reusable container is an easy, convenient way for homes with compost cart service to participate in the City's program. Keep the pail nearby to collect your kitchen food scraps then empty into your compost cart outside.



Contact Recology at (650) 967-3034, or online at **MountainView.gov/foodscraps** to receive your free kitchen pail and program how-to information.

OPTIONS TO LINE YOUR COMPOST PAIL

- You may use paper bags, newspaper, waxed paper, or compostable bags to help keep your kitchen pail clean.
- Please no plastic bags.
- 3-gallon compostable bags are available at local grocery stores and online retailers. Use only compostable bags that are certified by the Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI).