# Spring Updates & Tips



The newsletter from Recology Vallejo



California communities are now adapting to new regulations that require organic waste, like kitchen scraps, be composted instead of disposed of in landfills.

A new California law, SB 1383, went into effect on January 1, 2022. It sets new requirements for communities to recycle organic waste. The new law establishes that customers may soon include foodsoiled paper such as coffee grounds and filters, pizza boxes, paper food containers, paper towels, paper egg cartons, and other paper materials into the green yardwaste cart.

Food scraps such as fruit, meat, cheese, fish, grains, vegetables, and other food items are also targeted for inclusion into the organic recycling materials.

The yardwaste and organic materials will then be processed into rich compost. This compost will be used to enrich the soil in farms, gardens, and yards in our area. Click recology.com/sb1383 for

updates on this important new law. Until the new regulations are implemented for Solano County, continue to use your green carts for grass, leaves, weeds, and untreated wood along with tree and shrub prunings.

**Bill Payment Options** The Recology Vallejo main office at 2021 Broadway remains closed to the public. It will remain closed until safety officials authorize reopening.

Contact us at 707-552-3110 during office hours for information about services, to enroll in E-BillPay, or for other assistance. Customers may also contact us at *recology.com*.

Pay bills by mail, over the phone, or online. A payment box for checks or money orders is available outside the office at 2021 Broadway. Cash is not accepted.

Pay-By-Phone is free for customers to use at any time. Call 707-731-6526

Find us on

to make your payment. Have your account number ready and follow the instructions.

Go to recology.com/bill-pay to pay online. Customers may make a one-time payment or create an online account for recurring payments. We accept American Express, Discover, Mastercard, and Visa credit cards, or we can debit your bank account.

#### We're Here For You Recology Vallejo welcomes Darren

started his



Horner, Maintenance Manager, and Al Jimenez, Operations Supervisor. Darren

Darren Horner

new job after serving 24 years in the United States Air Force.



Al Jimenez

Al Jimenez has worked for various **Recology** companies for 21 years but just started with Recology Vallejo in February. Welcome Darren and Al!

#### 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). 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; packing foam; clam-shell food containers; PVC or other piping; diapers.
- Metal-No electronic or computer equipment; hangers; scrap metal; fuel or propane tanks, etc.





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# 2022 Cleanup Day



Bring your extra trash to the Park & Ride on Saturday, April 16, between 10am and 2pm.

Get ready now for the Unincorporated Vallejo Resident Cleanup Day. The event will happen on Saturday, April 16, between 10am and 2pm at

the Park & Ride lot located at the intersection of Lemon Street and Curtola Parkway.

There is no extra charge to residential Vallejo unincorporated area residents to deposit up to 4 cubic yards (a standard pickup truck load) of acceptable items.

The event is only for residential **Recology** customers who live in the unincorporated Vallejo area. A picture ID and a Recology or utility bill showing current address are required. **Recology** accounts must be current and not past due. One trip only per household.

Call us at 707-552-3110 for information.

#### Acceptable ltems

TRASH BAGS containing loose trash must be firmly secured in 32-gallon bags and weigh less than 25 lbs.





TIRES from cars, pickup trucks, minivans, and sport utility vehicles. Metal wheels attached are accepted

**FURNITURE**: sofas, sofa beds, chairs, futons, dressers, tables, cabinets, bookshelves, desks, and other similar household items.



**APPLIANCES and METAL:** bed frames, scrap metal, pipes, filing cabinets, shelving units, exercise

equipment, bicycles, washing machines, dryers, water heaters, dishwashers, and stoves (NO refrigerators and NO air conditioners accepted).

#### **CARPETS and PADDING** must

be rolled or bundled into 5 foot lengths and must weigh 50 pounds or less per bundle.



### **Commercial Customer Corner** SB 1383 In Effect Now!

Businesses in California must comply with organic recycling regulations established by Senate Bill 1383. The new regulations began on January 1, 2022. The great news is that **Recology** Waste Zero experts are available to help you comply with these regulations. Check the chart on the right for a summary of the new law.

**Recology** will help you implement a program that works best for you and meets all the mandated regulations. Get started by contacting a Waste Zero expert through *recology.com* or call us at 707-552-3110.



LONG LOOSE ITEMS: lumber, window blinds, pipes, brooms, and mops tied into bundles no longer than 5 feet in length and weigh 50 pounds or less per bundle.

**ELECTRONICS:** microwaves, TVs, DVD and VCR

players, stereo equipment and speakers, computer components such as monitors, printers, central processing units (CPUs), and other electronic items.





**MATTRESSES, FOUNDATIONS and** BOX SPRINGS of all sizes.

## Unacceptable

Hazardous Waste: paints, pesticides, chemicals, household batteries, cleaning agents, and pressure treated wood.



### Senate Bill 1383

- Effective on January 1, 2022.
- Requires all commercial customers to subscribe to organic waste recycling service.
- Customers currently subscribed to yardwaste service must now add organic recycling service.
- Employees must properly sort materials for recycling and organic waste recycling.
- Recycling bins featuring sorting labels will be required in customer areas.
- Select businesses will be required to participate in an Edible Food Recovery Program.
- Food is the largest single source (15.5%) of all waste in California.
- The **Recology** compost facility has been converting food waste and green waste into rich organic compost for years.



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