

Vallejo Waste Zero Ways

2023 WINTER NEWSLETTER



RATE INCREASE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023

Recology service rates will increase beginning January 1, 2023 for residential and commercial customers.

New Residential Rates

32-gal—\$43.19

64-gal—\$70.07

96-gal—\$96.95

Call us at 707.552.3110 or contact us online at Recology.com/Vallejo for complete information about the new rates.

WHAT IS WISHCYCLING?

Wishcycling is putting an item in the recycle stream in the hope that it will get recycled, despite not having credibility that it is indeed recyclable. The four most common culprits of wishcycling (all of which cannot be recycled in your blue bin) are:

Selectronic waste (e-waste)



All plastic bags and flimsy plastic



All liquids inside or outside any recyclable material \(\) \(\)



O Broken glass or mirrors



Please do not place any of the items above in the recycle bin. When in doubt, visit WhatBin.com to find what stream your waste belongs in.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH LANDFILL DISPOSAL OF ORGANIC WASTE

Organic waste in landfills emits

21%

84×

of California's methane, a climate super pollutant more potent than carbon dioxide

Source: Cal Recycle



In January 2022, the state enacted Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383), California's Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Strategy. It's designed to reduce global warming gases like methane and is a fast track to fighting climate change. When you place organic materials — such as food scraps, uncoated soiled paper, and yard waste — into your green cart, they are transformed into nutrient-rich soil, which helps conserve water and improves the state's natural soil resources.

In addition, our communities have immediate negative impacts from pollutants that arise from landfilling organic waste, like nitrogen oxides and particulate matter that cause heart and lung disease. They also trigger or worsen chronic diseases such as asthma, heart attacks, bronchitis, and other respiratory problems.

Learn more at Recology.com/SB1383.

FREE SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

March 18, 2023 7 AM – 12 PM

100 Solano Avenue, Vallejo, CA 94590

Proof of residency will be required to participate. No commercial businesses or contractors allowed. For more information, please call 707.552.3110 or 707.648.5346.

Items not accepted:

- · Household hazardous waste, including paint
- Chemicals
- Sharps or medical waste
- Construction and demolition debris (C&D)
- Pressure treated wood
- Compressed air, helium, or propane tanks





FOUR FREE ANNUAL ON-CALL BULKY ITEM COLLECTIONS

Residential customers in single-family households receive four curbside on-call bulky item collections per year at no additional charge. Each collection is limited to two cubic yards (3ft x 3ft x 6ft) or 12 32-gallon bags or three (3) individual large items.

Call 707.552.3110 to schedule for collection on your regular service day. Hazardous items are not accepted curbside.





COMMERCIAL CORNER

New California Mandate requires businesses to compost.

Regulations for SB 1383 have taken effect as of January 1, 2022, and State enforcement has begun. Jurisdictions have the authority to assess a fine for non-compliance.



The law seeks to achieve:

75%↓

reduction in landfilled organics by 2025

20%

reduction in edible food waste by 2025

Recology offers free resources to help your business comply with SB 1383. This includes on-site training for customers and staff, program implementations to increase diversion, appropriate bin size and placement assessment, and educational or formal presentations.

Contact Recology's Waste Zero Team to learn about compost and recycling programs at 707.552.3110 or Recology.com/Vallejo.

VALLEJO RESIDENTS 2023 ANNUAL DUMP COUPON

Residents, be on the lookout for your 2023 Annual Dump Coupon which will be mailed to your billing

Vallejo Annual Dump Coupon

address. Be sure to read the requirements and list of unacceptable items before arriving. Also, be prepared to present the coupon with a valid ID that matches your Recology address.

The 2023 Annual Dump Coupon will be valid through December 31, 2023. No photocopies will be accepted and there will be no replacements for lost, misplaced, or damaged coupons.