



CLEAN UP DAY!



10 AM – 2 PM Saturday, April 15
Park-and-Ride Lot, Corner of
Lemon Street and Curtola Parkway

This cleanup event is for Unincorporated Vallejo residents only.

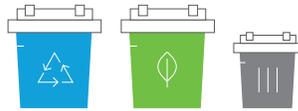
- Participants must show picture ID with original garbage or utility bill.
- Recology account must be current, not past due.
- Only one pickup-sized load per address.

Call **707.552.3110** or contact us at [Recology.com/Vallejo](https://www.recology.com/Vallejo) for more information.

IMPORTANT! LIEN PERIOD IS AROUND THE CORNER

Property owners, not residents, are responsible for paying past-due amounts on garbage bills. Unpaid balances are added as a lien assessment on the owner's property tax bill.

The current lien assessment period is from April 2022 through March 2023. Final courtesy notices of past-due garbage bills will be mailed to property owners and residents in June.



To avoid lien assessment with a penalty, property owners should regularly check the status of garbage accounts for all their rental properties. Recology

recommends owners put the garbage bill in their name and add that charge to the monthly rent. This minimizes the chances of an assessment being placed on the property tax bill.

If you own rental properties and would like more information on how to do this, contact Customer Service at **707.552.3110**.

REDUCE PLASTIC CONTAMINATION

FREE YOUR RECYCLABLES

Put clean and dry recyclables directly into your blue bin. Do not bag them in plastic bags.

Plastic bags make it difficult for workers to sort recyclables properly and safely. It also slows the process and increases the cost of recycling. Plastic bags and other flimsy plastics can wrap around equipment, requiring operations to shut down while workers climb onto the

machinery to cut the plastic off of gears and screens.



Don't bag recyclables. Place items directly in the recycling container.

Lightweight plastics, such as bags and plastic wrap, can contaminate paper bales, and mills will not buy bales if they contain more than 1 percent contamination.

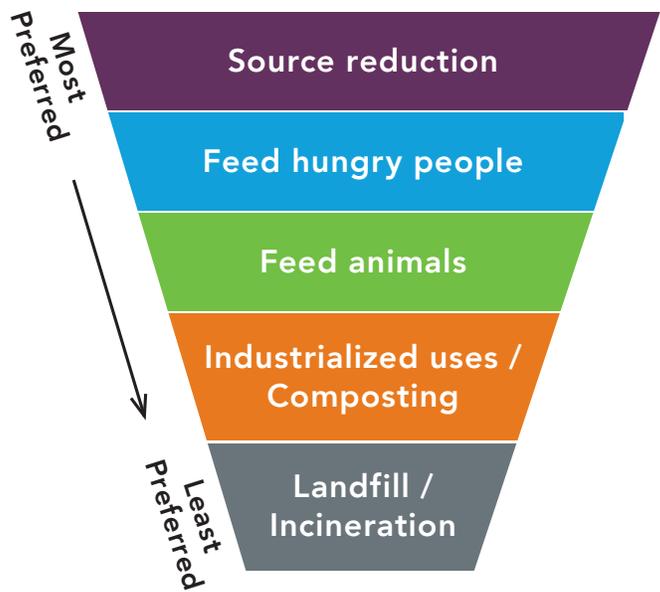
For all these reasons, Recology Vallejo is asking customers to "Loose Load" recyclables.

For more helpful tips, visit [WhatBin.com](https://www.whatbin.com).

HOW TO "LOOSE LOAD" RECYCLING:

- 1.** Put clean and dry recyclables — aluminum, glass bottles and jars, hard plastics, paper, cardboard — directly into your blue cart or your facility's large recycling container.
- 2.** Use plastic liners only for smaller recycling bins typically used inside your kitchen or office.
- 3.** Check the liner for food or liquids before emptying the recyclables into your larger recycling cart. If the liner contains food or liquid, it is contaminated. Cinch the bag and place it in your landfill bin. Reuse clean liners.

FOOD RECOVERY HIERARCHY



Californians landfill nearly 6 million tons of food scraps or food waste each year. Remember, try to buy only what you need and compost all food scraps.

The chart above prioritizes actions individuals and organizations can take to prevent and divert wasted food.

COMMERCIAL CORNER

New California mandate requires businesses to compost

State enforcement of SB 1383, which requires collection of food scraps and yard waste for composting, has begun. Authorities may assess fines 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.

To learn about local compost and recycling programs, contact our Zero Waste Team at **707.552.3110** or **Recology.com/Vallejo**.



A legacy of leadership: From left to right are Peter Friesen, retired General Manager; Bill Burrage, Regional Safety Manager; Tom Phillips, retired General Manager; Derek Nelson current General Manager; and Al Jimenez, Operations Manager.

THANKS FOR THE RECOGNITION

The Vallejo Chamber of Commerce awarded Recology Vallejo 2022 Large Business of the Year at its annual awards ceremony in February.

“We are honored to serve the residents and businesses of Vallejo and American Canyon,” said General Manager Derek Nelson. “Many of our 120 employee-owners grew up here. They and their families are invested in our community.”

“Our connection and our commitment as employee-owners motivate us to do our best, day in and day out. We are proud to be a community partner, helping protect the environment and striving for zero waste.”

Recology has been the resource recovery provider in Vallejo since 1926, and we look forward to serving you for many years to come.

CONTACT US!

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