



Vallejo Waste Zero Ways

2023 SPRING
NEWSLETTER



EL 2 DE OROS LEADS BY EXAMPLE

Sonia Pelayo, owner of El 2 De Oros Produce Market, called Recology Vallejo as soon as the State of California started requiring and enforcing the collection of food scraps and yard trimmings for composting. Hers was one of the first businesses in the city to implement an organics program.

That's why El 2 De Oros Produce Market was chosen to be the first business featured in Recology Vallejo's new column highlighting local companies doing an exemplary job recycling and composting.

"As more people know about the importance of recycling and

composting, it benefits all of us and our future as a planet," said Pelayo.

El 2 De Oros, 1417 Tennessee St., complies with commercial recycling laws that aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and send less to landfill.

→ AB 341—mandates businesses, schools, and public entities generating 4 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste weekly have recycling collection service.

→ AB 1826—mandates enterprises generating 2 cubic yards or more of total garbage, recycling, and organics discards have organics collection service.

*Business
Highlight*



If your business does not comply with the law, call Recology Vallejo at **707.552.3110**. to get your recycling and organics service started.

REDUCE PLASTIC CONTAMINATION

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



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machinery to cut the plastic off of gears and screens.

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.

RATE ADJUSTMENT

Rates for commercial customers will increase by 15.84% in July.

BIN SIZE	NEW RATE COMMERCIAL
96 gallons	\$178.28
1 cubic yard	\$338.33
2 cubic yards	\$633.51

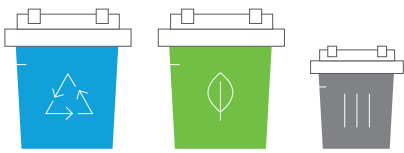
Contact Customer Service if you have any questions: **707.552.3110**.

IMPORTANT! LIEN PERIOD IS

AROUND THE CORNER

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 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

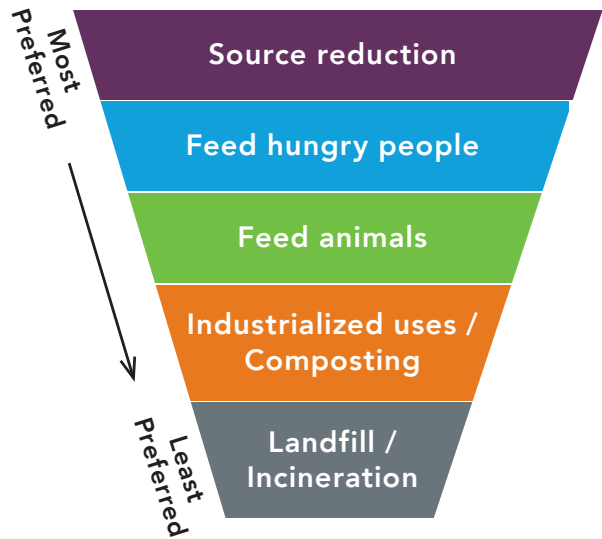


and add that charge to the monthly rent. This

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](tel:707.552.3110).

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.

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.



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.

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