

City of Oroville

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Commercial & Multi-Family Newsletter





SB 1383 ENFORCEMENT HAS BEGUN

California State law SB 1383 and City of Oroville Organics Reduction and Recycling Ordinance require businesses, nonprofits, institutions, schools, and multi-family properties to arrange for food/green waste and recycling collection service, have the correct indoor bins, and sort materials correctly. Some businesses must also recover and donate their surplus edible food.

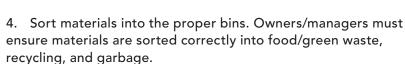
Enforcement of these rules is a collaborative effort between the City and Recology. Warnings (a "Cart Tag") are given before a citation is issued. Fines range from \$50-\$500.



For more information about the requirements, free resources, requesting free support, and for additional information about the edible food recovery program visit <u>CityofOroville.org</u>.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- 1. Sign up for food/green waste and recycling collection services or have a waiver on file.
- 2. Set up indoor bins. Color coded and labeled food/green waste and recycling bins must be placed next to all garbage bins (not required in restrooms).
- 3. Label all containers. Make sure there is signage on how to sort food/green waste and recyclables near the containers.





5. Inform staff and contractors about proper sorting at least annually. Check bins regularly, e.g. monthly, and provide feedback if materials are found in the wrong bin.

CITY ASSISTANCE & RESOURCES

The City of Oroville offers the following assistance and resources:

• Free Waste Assessments

To help you determine your organization's garbage, recycling, and food/green waste service needs.

• Free Set-up & Ongoing Support

To help keep your program running smoothly.

• Free Resources

- Indoor food/green waste containers (supplies limited).
- Posters & instructional materials.



- On-site training by City staff for employees, tenants, and/or contractors to assure your business is in compliance with SB 1383 regulations.
- To set up a training or get free resources contact the City at recycle@cityoforoville.org.
- To download and/or access sorting guides and toolkits please visit Cityoforoville.org/services/recycling-in-or-oville/recycle-tips.



MONITORING YOUR PROGRAM FOR SUCCESS

Providing recycling and food/ green waste collection significantly changes how employees are expected to handle the trash, and they will need encouragement and reminders to establish these new habits. Try to resolve problems on an on-going basis.



On a regular basis, report back to employees on their progress. Charting the quantities collected

each month and publishing comparisons with previous months helps employees to appreciate the results of their efforts. Keep this information as timely and concise as possible.

Once established, the recycling and food/green waste program will not require much time to coordinate. Your personnel will soon see recycling and food/green waste as just another part of their routine maintenance responsibilities. The benefits will continue for your business, your bottom line, and the environment.

LABELING CONTAINERS PROPERLY

Are your dumpsters and/or carts properly labeled?

In California, all collection containers must be properly labeled with information about materials that are accepted in them.

Contact Recology today if any of your dumpsters or carts are missing



labels, email Recology Butte Colusa Counties Waste Zero Specialist, Ivan Madrigal at IMadrigal@recologycom.

SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS AND WAIVERS

If your business does not have recycling and/or food/green waste service you are required to set up service (exceptions are very limited). Call Recology to start service. You can add food/green waste service free of charge.

If you feel that your business is applicable for a waiver you can fill out a wavier application at <u>CityofOroville.org</u>. There are two types of waivers offered for commercial business generators in Oroville:

- 1. Minimal generation waivers (De minimis) for businesses that generate a minimal amount of organic waste or recyclables.
- 2. Physical space waivers when there are space constraints that prohibit the addition of recycling or compost containers.

SOFT AND STRETCHY PLASTICS ARE TRASH

Soft and stretchy plastic items are NOT accepted in Recology's recycling programs. Common soft and stretchy items that go into the garbage container include:

- Cleaning wipes
- Face masks
- Plastic gloves
- Plastic storage bags
- Plastic packaging
- Plastic shopping bags
- Film or stretch wrap
- Bubble wrap and envelopes
- Condiment packets
- Chip bags and candy wrappers

Remember the symbol does NOT always indicate that an item is recyclable.

