

THE CONNECTION



Keeping Us Connected to the Communities We Serve



2025-26 HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE



Recology collection crews will work Thanksgiving Day, November 27.
Please set out your carts by 6 AM.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12/22 Regular Service	12/23 Regular Service	12/24 Regular Service	12/25  No Service Christmas Day, Office Closed	12/26 Service for Thursday Customers	12/27 Service for Friday Customers
12/29 Regular Service	12/30 Regular Service	12/31 Regular Service	1/1  No Service New Year's Day, Office Closed	1/2 Service for Thursday Customers	1/3 Service for Friday Customers

San Martin
Transfer Station

Open Tuesday–Saturday, 8 AM – 4 PM. Hours subject to change without notice.
Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's days.

Quick reference sorting guide for your holiday waste

	Bows and ribbon	Plain wrapping paper and bags	Metallic, glitter wrapping paper and bags	Empty bottles and cans	Leftovers or food scraps	Food and drink soiled paper towels	Wax or parchment paper	Coated paper plates and cups
Reuse	●	●	●		●			
Organics					●	●		
Recycle		●		●				
Garbage	●		●				●	●

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OTHER RESOURCES

hhw.org
whatbin.com
reducewaste.org

HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING

Recology accepts holiday trees for recycling! Flocked trees (sprayed with artificial snow) are not accepted.

1. Remove all decorations, tinsel, and tree stands.
2. Cut tree into three-foot sections.
3. Place small branches/pieces inside the cart.
4. Make sure your organics cart is at the curb alongside your tree.



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR GILROY RESIDENTS

MATTRESS DROP-OFF EVENT

Residents have an opportunity to recycle mattresses and box springs for free. No appointment necessary.

WHEN: Saturday, October 25, 9 AM to Noon

WHERE: 1351 Pacheco Pass Hwy, Gilroy 95020

BRING: You must show a recent Recology bill and ID as proof of Gilroy residency.



Only mattresses and box springs (any size) will be accepted at this event.

There will be a charge to recycle mattresses and box springs if they are taken to the San Martin Transfer Station.

HOME COMPOSTING WORKSHOP

Learn how to compost at home by attending a free Community Composting Workshop organized by the University of California Cooperative Extension and the County of Santa Clara and taught by certified Master Composters.

WHEN: Saturday, November 8, 10 AM to Noon

WHERE: Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center, 17000 Monterey Rd.

Visit <https://bit.ly/4lgFwzK> or call **408.918.4640** for more details and registration. Participants must be 18 or older.

FREQUENTLY ASKED

QUESTIONS

What should I do if I have more cardboard than will fit in my recycle cart?

Cut the boxes into smaller pieces or flatten them so that they are no larger than 3' x 3' in size. Bundle them with twine or tape and set them next to your recycle cart for collection.



Why can't I put food scraps in my garbage cart any more?

Compostables such as food scraps, greasy pizza boxes, and yard trimmings should go in the green cart as mandated by state law SB 1383. For more information, visit recology.com/sb1383 or call **408.842.3358**



What if I have questions about what goes where?

[Whatbin.com](https://whatbin.com) has the answers you need. Go to the website or scan the QR code.



**NEVER PLACE THESE ITEMS
IN YOUR GARBAGE CAN**

Sharps and Medication
CVS Pharmacy
408.842.0373

Fluorescent Lamps
Ace Hardware of Gilroy
408.847.5890

Household Hazardous
Waste and Electronic
Waste, Call 408.299.7300