



Steps that help tidy a neighborhood

Yusef Walker has called Vallejo home since 1997, settling into the Northgate neighborhood in 2011. While his primary career is in security, he has developed a passionate side mission dedicated to keeping his local area pristine.

Like many others, he shifted to working from home around 2020, which changed his daily rhythm. He began walking his neighborhood more frequently, turning a solitary exercise routine into an opportunity for community stewardship.

It was during one of these walks that he encountered an older couple out



Community Feature

but for his own well-being. He aims to get out at least every other day, noting that he feels the difference physically if he skips a few days.

Sometimes additional neighbors join in, creating a collective effort that keeps the streets relatively tidy. However, the challenge remains persistent.

"We do see illegal dumping in the area," he says.

When Yusef and his neighbors encounter larger discarded items, such as mattresses, they take responsibility to ensure the waste is disposed of properly.

with litter grabbers. What started as a chance meeting quickly blossomed into a friendship built on a shared commitment to cleanliness. Today, they often coordinate their efforts, sharing supplies like sticks, bags, and gloves to make the work easier.

For Yusef, this routine has become essential, not just for the environment



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY RECOLOGY VALLEJO!

We are proud and grateful to be marking our 100th year as Vallejo's recycling, composting, and garbage collection service provider.

Tony and John Zunino founded Vallejo Garbage Service in 1926. The first disposal site was near Highway 37 and Sacramento Street.

In 1982, the business was acquired by San Francisco-based Golden Gate Disposal and it became part of Norcal Waste Systems, Inc. Local operations were moved to our current location on Broadway.

Norcal changed its name to Recology in 2009 to reflect its industry leadership in resource recovery.

Recology Vallejo looks forward to more successful years helping residents and businesses keep our community clean.

Multi-family properties are eligible for Bulky Item Pickup service

Multi-family properties can schedule one free Bulky Item Pickup (BIP) each year for their residents.

The property manager must call Recology to schedule the pickup for the entire complex. Each property is eligible for a pickup size equal to one-half cubic yard per residential unit.



We will deliver large debris boxes prior to the service appointment to contain the total volume allowed for the property. A box may be included within this total for separate disposal of e-waste, appliances, and mattresses. Fees for items containing Freon will apply.

Debris boxes can stay on the property for three days, not including weekends or the day of drop off or pick up.

No hazardous waste, dirt, rocks, concrete, or commercial-sized appliances will be accepted.

Keep containers accessible



Please ensure all recycling, compost, and garbage discards are fully contained inside your Recology carts and bins with the lids closed.

We may not be able to service your containers on collection day if materials or bags are piled on top or block access.

If your business consistently has more discards than will fit in your carts or bins, contact a Waste Zero specialist to right-size your service.

RECYCLE

RECYCLING MUST BE EMPTY, CLEAN, & DRY

No food scraps, liquids, or plastic bags.
Do not bag recycling.



CLEAN PAPER AND CARDBOARD



RIGID PLASTICS



GLASS BOTTLES & JARS



METALS



COMPOST

NO GLASS, NO PLASTIC OF ANY KIND



FOOD SCRAPS



YARD TRIMMINGS



UNCOATED FOOD-SOILED PAPER PRODUCTS



LANDFILL



SINGLE-USE PLASTIC



SNACK BAGS, WRAPPERS, AND COATED PAPER PRODUCTS



PADDED MAILERS, ENVELOPES, BUBBLE WRAP, AND STYROFOAM



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