Recology
Butte Colusa Counties

City of Oroville

RESIDENTIAL NEWSLETTER

2026 FALL NEWSLETTER



Mail-back programs for medicines and sharps

CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS CAN SAFELY DISPOSE OF UNWANTED MEDICINES AND SHARPS AT NO COST

WHY SAFE DISPOSAL MATTERS

- Protects children and pets
- Prevents accidental poisoning
- Keeps medicines out of the wrong hands
- Protects sanitation workers
- Keeps sharps out of household trash
- Protects waterways and the environment

DO NOT

Flush medicines down the toilet

Put sharps into household trash or recycling bins

Place needles or sharps into medicine drop boxes



MEDICINES

Prescription
Over The Counter
Pet meds

1. Request a ***free*** mail-back envelope.
2. Place unwanted medicines inside.
3. Seal and mail using prepaid postage.

medtakebackcalifornia.org

SHARPS



Needles
Syringes
Lancets and sharps

1. Order a ***free*** sharps container.
2. Place needles and sharps safely inside.
3. Mail back using prepaid shipping.

sharpstakebackcalifornia.org

CALL: 844.4.TAKE-BACK

CONTACT US!
Se Habla Español

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OTHER RESOURCES

cityoforoville.org
calrecycle.ca.gov

FROM CURB TO COMMUNITY

Recology offers hands-on education



There's nothing quite like the smile on a child's face when they climb into the cab of a real garbage truck.

Recology team members love bringing our trucks to the communities we serve for events such as the Wildflower Festival at Riverbend Park in Oroville and the ever-popular Touch-a-Truck event at Mariam Park in Chico.

These hands-on experiences let kids climb behind the wheel, honk the horn, and discover firsthand what happens to their recycling, compostables, and garbage long after the truck rolls away from the curb.

For many children, it's a moment they won't soon forget as they pepper our drivers with questions and begin to understand the important daily work that keeps their neighborhoods clean.

Recology is proud to share our knowledge, show off our equipment, answer questions, and spark conversations about sustainability that last beyond the festival grounds.

Want a Recology truck at your event? Or a Recology Waste Zero Specialist to visit your business, organization, or community group for an educational presentation?

Contact us at rbccwastezero@recology.com to learn more, and let us help make your next event one to remember!

GIVE BACK TO MOTHER NATURE

COMPOST YOUR HOLIDAY FOOD SCRAPS

The holiday season is a time to celebrate with loved ones, share meals, and make lasting memories. It's also a great opportunity to make a positive environmental impact by composting your holiday food scraps.

Recology's curbside collection for composting program accepts all food scraps and food-soiled paper, giving these items a second life as nutrient-rich compost that nourishes soils on area farms and landscapes.

When food goes to the landfill, it decomposes without oxygen and creates methane, a potent greenhouse gas. By putting your holiday plate scrapings and food-soiled paper into the green cart, you help reduce those emissions.

SORT CORRECTLY

As you clean up after holiday gatherings, remember the three-cart guide:

COMPOST

All food scraps, including meat, poultry, fish, fruits, vegetables, coffee grounds, and eggshells. Plants, sticks, leaves. Uncoated, food-soiled paper products such as napkins and greasy pizza boxes.

RECYCLE

Cardboard boxes, rigid plastics, metal cans, glass bottles and jars. Be sure they are empty, clean, and dry. Break down boxes.

GARBAGE

Plastic wrap, foil-lined packaging, waxed paper products and paper lined with plastic, disposable utensils, and other non-compostable materials.

FREE TIRE AMNESTY EVENT

WHAT: City residents can drop off up to 9 tires per vehicle. Multiple trips are okay. Tires up to 43" and tires with rims accepted. No tires from commercial businesses.



WHEN:
Saturday, Oct. 31
9 AM to 12 PM

WHERE: 665 Cal Oak Road, Oroville, CA 95965

QUESTIONS? Call the City of Oroville at **530.624.7947** or email jarbuckle@cityoforoville.org.

***Legal Notice:** Vehicles hauling 10–20 tires must register for an exemption with the Butte County Department of Environmental Health before hauling. For more information, go to buttecounty.net/853/tires or call 530.552.3880.*

NEVER PLACE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR LANDFILL BIN

- Sharps and medication
- Fluorescent bulbs
- Flammables, pesticides, or herbicides
- Electronic waste

HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL DROP-OFF

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9 AM – 2 PM first & third Fridays of the month