# A Publication for GreenWaste Recovery Multi-family Customers

Spring 2024

## **Back to Basics: Waste Separation**

Waste separation at home, work, or school is as important to integrate into our everyday routines as other healthy habits like brushing our teeth or making dinner. Creating the habit of separating recyclables and organics from the trash not only helps in reducing the amount of waste that ends up in the landfill but also contributes towards the growth of the economy by creating job opportunities. Moreover, it helps protect the environment by eliminating byproducts that can be harmful to our world and preserving natural, raw materials.

Do not bag recyclables or organics; just toss your recyclable and organic waste directly into the proper bin. This helps reduce the risk of contamination in these two streams.



#### Organics

Grains, fruits & vegetables, yard trimmings, cooked meat, dairy, coffee & paper filters

#### Not Accepted

NO bags, pet waste, raw meat, cold ashes, palm fronds, cactus, liquids, ice plant, treated wood or compostable ware



#### Recycling

Paper, cardboard, metal, glass, plastics 1, 2 & 5

#### Not Accepted

NO Plastics 3, 4, 6, or 7 (to find the type of plastic look for the little triangle with the number inside)

#### Trash

Food-soiled cardboard & paper, black plastics, polystyrene "foam" plastic, broken glass, treated wood, raw meat, ashes, pet waste

#### Not Accepted

NO food scraps, batteries, or hazardous waste (e.g. motor oil)



## **Holiday Pickup Schedule**

GreenWaste will provide regular collection service on ★ Memorial Day ~ Monday, May 27, 2024 ★

Please set out your containers on your regular collection day by 6:00 AM



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Remit your payment to GreenWaste LLC PO Box 11089

San Jose, CA 95103-1089 Please include your payment stub and make sure to write your Customer ID on the check to ensure expedited processing.



Payments can be made over the phone Monday through Friday 8AM-5PM.

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## **Break It Down!**

Are you faced with an abundance of cardboard and find your recyclable container lacking space? We have solutions for you! First, ensure your cardboard is dismantled and flattened to fit inside the container as intact boxes occupy unnecessary space. If you still have a surplus of cardboard, please contact our customer service team to arrange an extra collection, as additional charges may apply. Please do not put out loose cardboard for pickup; it's challenging to collect, leads to roadside litter, and will not be collected.

Do you consistently deal with excess cardboard? It might be time to reconsider your recyclables service collection level. Contact our Customer Service Department at 831.920.6707 to arrange an on-site visit from the Outreach Team. An Outreach Coordinator will assist you in finding the optimal solution for your multi-family residence.

## **Non-Recyclable Plastics**

As plastic products have grown plentiful, you may find yourself unsure of what is considered recyclable. Contrary to popular belief, not all plastic can be recycled. The best way to keep plastic out of the landfill is to limit your purchase of plastic and plastic-wrapped items.

Here are 4 plastic products commonly misplaced in recycling:

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- 1) Plastic film (Commonly found as shopping bags, resealable freezer bags, bubble wrap, bread bags.)

These items go in the trash.



2) Black plastic (Commonly found as cutlery, frozen food trays, cooking utensils, and takeout containers.)



 Polystyrene "foam" #6 plastics (Commonly found as takeout containers, product packaging, egg cartons.)



 PVC (Commonly found as piping, shower curtains, garden hoses, deli meat packaging.)

Answer: apple core, flower, cheese, bread



## **Best Enclosure Practices**

It is crucial to maintain clean and unobstructed enclosures for safety purposes. When carts and bins overflow, it leaves loose material on the enclosure floor that gets stuck on the wheels of the bins, making it difficult to pull or push them out for service. Therefore, it is essential to inspect the enclosures periodically and keep them free of loose materials, bulky items, and slippery oils to prevent serious injuries or service delays. If you're facing problems with illegal dumping, please contact Customer Service at 831.920.6707 to add a lock service for an additional fee.

## Green Kids-

### What Goes in the Green Cart?

Color the items, and color the cart green. Then, circle the items that go in the green cart. Can you correctly pick the 4 items that go in the green organics cart?







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