

Medications & Sharps

Please visit RecycleSmart.org/HHW for free, local drop off locations and program information.

Unused medications place the medication only (including inhalers and pet medication) into a sealed plastic bag and take them to your local police or sheriff's station listed below:

- Alamo Sheriff's Substation—150 Alamo Plaza, Suite C.
- Danville Police Department—510 La Gonda Way
- Lafayette Police Department—3471 Mt. Diablo Blvd., #130
- Moraga Police Department—329 Rheem Blvd.
- Orinda Police Department—22 Orinda Way
- Walnut Creek City Hall—1666 North Main Street

Medical injection devices (sharps) require special handling and disposal. Dispose of used sharps in a red hard-plastic sharps container and take to one of these locations:

- Alamo Sheriff's Substation—150 Alamo Plaza, Suite C.
- Danville Police Department—510 La Gonda Way
- Lafayette Fire Station—3338 Mt. Diablo Blvd.
- Moraga Fire Station—1280 Moraga Way
- Orinda Police Department—22 Orinda Way
- Walnut Creek Fire Station—1050 Walnut Avenue
- Walnut Creek City Hall—1666 North Main Street

E-Waste

Contact your property manager to schedule an e-waste pick-up with Republic Services for a fee, or drop it off at Rapid Recycle or the Concord Recycling Center. Visit RecycleSmart.org/HHW for more information.

Hazardous Waste

Take paint, pesticides, fluorescent bulbs, motor oil & oil filters, solvents, personal care products, and other household chemicals FREE OF CHARGE to Central San's Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 4797 Imhoff Place in Martinez. To learn more visit centralsan.org/hhw

It is ILLEGAL to throw medications and sharps in your carts and bins



To make recycling easier for you, reusable recycling totes are available to residents at no cost. Contact your property manager for more information.



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Empty, Clean, and Dry Recycling



Empty. Remove any remaining food or liquid.



Clean. Lightly rinse or wipe the item.



Dry. Shake out excess moisture or air dry.

If your recycling or organics cart/bin is contaminated with unacceptable materials, it may not be serviced and your property may be charged a go-back fee.

Batteries



It is ILLEGAL to throw batteries in your carts and bins

Common household batteries contain materials that can be harmful to the environment. Drop off batteries for free:

ALAMO CVS/Pharmacy 3158 Danville Blvd.	ORINDA CVS/Pharmacy 50 Moraga Way Rite Aid 27 Orinda Way	LAFAYETTE CVS/Pharmacy 3625 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Ace Hardware 3311 Mt. Diablo Blvd.
BLACKHAWK CVS/Pharmacy 3420 Camino Tassajara	WALNUT CREEK CVS/Pharmacy 1123 S. California Blvd.	DANVILLE CVS/Pharmacy 650 San Ramon Val.
MORAGA Ace Hardware 1409 Moraga Rd. CVS/Pharmacy 1480 Moraga Rd. #D 580 Moraga Rd.	1914 Tice Valley Blvd. 738 Bancroft Rd. Rite Aid 1526 Palos Verde Mall Ace Hardware 2044 Mt. Diablo Blvd.	Danville Music 115 Town and Country Walgreens 611 San Ramon Val.

Extra Materials. Residents can take cardboard boxes, e-waste and other recyclable materials to the Concord Recycling Center. The facility accepts many items for free! This is the preferred disposal option, rather than overflowing your property's bins. For more information visit ConcordRecyclingCenter.com

Republic Services of Contra Costa County
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Landfill

Yes

- Plastic Utensils
- Plastic Packaging
- Compostable & Biodegradable Plastic
- Juice Pouches
- Chip Bags
- Snack Wrappers
- Broken Dishware
- Expanded Polystyrene Foam
- Diapers
- Pet Waste
- Receipts
- Plastic Containers (Without a Recycling Number)
- Non-Usable Textiles
- Coated Food-Soiled Paper

No

- Food Scraps
- Uncoated Food-Soiled Paper
- Yard Trimmings
- Recyclables
- Electronics
- Sharps
- Medicine
- Batteries
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Motor Oil/Filters
- Hazardous Waste
- Hot Ash



Recycling

Yes

- Empty, Clean, and Dry™ (#1-7) Plastic Containers
- Bundled Plastic Bags
- Metal Containers
- Clean Foil
- Glass Bottles and Jars
- Paper (If shredded, put in clear bag)
- Clean Cardboard

No

- Paper Towels
- Food Scraps
- Food-Soiled Paper and Containers
- Garbage
- Paper Plates
- Organics
- Wood
- Expanded Polystyrene Foam
- Hot Ash
- Hazardous Waste
- Batteries
- Electronics
- Plastic Utensils



Organics

Yes

- Small Twigs and Branches (4' or less in length and 6" in diameter)
- Yard Trimmings
- UNCOATED Food-Soiled Paper (including napkins, paper towels, pizza boxes, and some uncoated to-go boxes)
- Raw and Cooked Food, Leftovers, To-Go Food
- Fruits and Vegetables (raw and cooked)
- Dairy Products
- Breads
- Meat and Seafood (including bones and shells)

No

- Plastic
- Pet Waste
- Glass
- Metal
- Diapers
- Plastic Food Containers
- Compostable & Biodegradable Plastic
- Expanded Polystyrene Foam
- Treated Wood Waste
- Coated Food-Soiled Paper (including paper cups, cartons, clamshells, and takeout boxes that appear shiny)



Senate Bill 1383

Composting Organics is Now the Law!

Organic material accounts for more than half of the material in California's waste stream. Greenhouse gas emissions caused by the decomposition of organic material in landfills contribute to climate change. Residents are required to sort materials properly, including recycling, and separate organics, including all food scraps, uncoated food-soiled paper and yard trimmings, for composting. Visit RecycleSmart.org/1383 or use the QR code below for more information.

Property managers are required to annually educate tenants on the legal requirement to separate organics for composting, and how to properly sort materials (organics, recycling and landfill).

Residents can participate by:

- Preventing/reducing food waste
- Composting at home
- Using the green organics cart



SB 1383 also requires local jurisdictions to monitor contamination and proper sorting of organics by performing annual route audits. RecycleSmart or its contractor may be in your neighborhood throughout the year assessing your carts and bins.

Organics Programs



Residents can compost organics at home and/or use the green organics cart. Composting at home is still an option, even in smaller spaces or with no backyard. It's called "vermicomposting" and yes, it involves worms—red wigglers actually! For more information about this easy, compact composting method visit RecycleSmart.org/WormComposting

Or, let Republic Services compost for you! Kitchen pails are available to residents at no cost. Contact your property manager to request a kitchen pail. Place food scraps in your kitchen pail, then empty into the green organics cart. Green cart material is sent to a Republic Services commercial composting facility and turned into a natural soil amendment. Line your food scraps pail with newspaper, a paper bag, or a BPI-Certified Compostable bag (the only type of compostable plastic we accept in the green cart).

To refresh an organics program at your property, or for more information about kitchen pails, carts and other resources call Republic Services at (925) 685-4711.



Important: Compostable plastics such as cold cups and utensils **do not break down** completely in our compost process. All compostable plastics should go in your black landfill cart. Only BPI-Certified Compostable bags to contain food scraps are accepted in the green organics cart.

Food scraps and other organics should be loose (no bags) or in newspaper, paper bags or BPI-Certified Compostable bags only.

⊘ No Plastic Bags