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Trash Talk with Your County Leaders



We sat down with County Supervisor, Susan Gorin, and asked her how she does her part to WASTE ZERO.

Q: What lifestyle choices help you get closer to WASTE ZERO?

A: "I am obsessive about composting food scraps and so intrigued by all the various things you can put in the green bin. I am close to moving back into the house I lost in the fires, and that's where I had my own home compost operation... But for right now it is so convenient to just toss my organics in my green bin! I am so thankful it's not just my food scraps that I can compost, but we can put bones, paper, or food soiled cardboard in there too. I am also obsessive about reusing and recycling as much as possible. If there is any way that those glass containers can be reused for jams, jellies, or vinegars - I will try to do that!"

Q: Why is this important to you?

A: "We have one planet, and we better take care of it. That means reducing the stuff that we use, and the stuff that we throw in the landfill. It is very, very difficult to find another location for a landfill. We have to minimize what we purchase."

Q: What WASTE ZERO tips do you have for your fellow Sonoma County Neighbors?

A: "Be aware of products that are coming on the market that will help reduce plastic and waste in general. And try to phase out plastics. But if you do get plastic, figure out how to reuse it!"



COMPOSTING: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

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SB1383

1. Residents will be required by Jan. 1, 2022 to either compost their food scraps at home or place them in their compost cart instead of their garbage cart.
2. Nearly all businesses will be required to have compost collection by Jan. 1, 2022.
3. If your business generates a significant amount of edible food, you will be required to donate food to a pantry or similar organization.

Let our Waste Zero Team help your school, business, or multi-family dwelling recycle and compost more while saving money on your monthly bill! We provide technical assistance, free signage/tools, and staff trainings. Contact our Waste Zero team by calling 800.243.0291.

California Senate Bill (SB 1383) "Short-lived Climate Pollutants" goes into effect on January 1, 2022. This California state law requires a 75% reduction of organic material disposed of in landfills and a 20% increase in edible food recovery by 2025. Studies show that 33% or more of waste sent to landfills is made up of food, yard debris, and other organic matter. Landfilled organic matter creates methane, a powerful greenhouse gas, that causes climate change. We must all do our part at home and at work to slow climate change by recovering edible food for hungry people and composting our food scraps instead of placing them in the landfill.



El Proyecto de Ley del Senado de California (SB 1383) "Contaminantes Climáticos de Corta Duración" tomara efecto el 1 de enero de 2022. Esta ley estatal de California requiere una reducción del 75% del material orgánico que se tira en los vertederos de basura y un aumento del 20% en la recuperación de alimentos comestibles para el año 2025. Los estudios muestran que el 33% o más de los desechos enviados a los vertederos de basura están compuestos de alimentos, desechos de jardín y otra materia orgánica. La materia orgánica que termina en los vertederos de basura crea metano, un poderoso gas de efecto invernadero, el cual causa el cambio climático. Todos debemos hacer nuestra parte, en la casa y en el trabajo, para frenar el cambio climático recuperando alimentos comestibles para las personas que padecen hambre y compostando los restos de comida en lugar de tirarlos al vertedero de basura.

The CARE Di\$count

El De\$uento CARE

Households in Unincorporated Sonoma County may be eligible for a **20% discount on their Recology bill, through the Recology Cares program**. Participation in the Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) CARE program qualifies you for the Recology Cares program.

To apply, simply email us (recologysonomamarin@recology.com) a copy of your most current PG&E bill showing participation in their CARE program. A 20% discount will then be applied to the billing cycle in which the documentation is received. The name and address on your PG&E account must match the name and address on your Recology account. Please note that you may be asked to verify annually.



Los hogares de Unincorporated Sonoma County pueden ser elegibles para un descuento del 20% en su factura de Recology, a través del programa Recology Cares. Al participar en el programa CARE de Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E, por sus siglas en inglés), lo hace elegible para participar en el programa Recology Cares.

Para pedir que lo inscriban en el programa Recology Cares, simplemente envíe por correo electrónico (a recologysonomamarin@recology.com), una copia de su factura más reciente de PG&E y la cual muestre que usted participa en el programa CARE. Seguidamente, se aplicará un descuento del 20% al ciclo de facturación en el que se reciba la documentación requerida. El nombre y la dirección que aparecen en su cuenta de PG&E deben coincidir con el nombre y la dirección que aparecen en su cuenta de Recology. Tenga en cuenta que es posible que se le solicite una verificación anualmente.

GET THE FACTS! ¡INFÓRMESE BIEN!

Cartons are recyclable: Your beverage cartons and aseptic containers are in fact recyclable!

Los envases de cartón son reciclables: los envases de cartón para bebidas, y envases asépticos, en realidad si son reciclables.

PPE disposal: Your used mask, gloves, and other personal protective equipment should be placed in the garbage. They are not recyclable.

Eliminación del EPP: La mascarilla, los guantes y otros equipos de protección personal, ya usados, deben tirarse a la basura. No son reciclables.

Don't bag your recyclables: Make sure your recyclables are loose so that we can sort them properly.

No ponga sus materiales reciclables en bolsas: Asegúrese de que sus materiales reciclables estén sueltos para que nosotros podamos clasificarlos correctamente.

"Compostable" plastics: These are not accepted by local compost facilities, as they don't break down in a timely manner. They need to go in the garbage only.

Plásticos "Compostables": Estos no son aceptados por las instalaciones de compostaje locales, ya que no se descomponen de manera oportuna. Puedes tirarlos a la basura solamente.

The CCNB can help!

Check out the drop-off recycling programs for **mattresses, carpet, and e-waste** provided by the Conservation Corps North Bay at their Novato and Cotati locations: CCNorthBay.org/zero-waste



Batteries: Batteries need to be disposed of as hazardous waste. If thrown in the garbage or recycling they could start fires at our facilities. Please help protect our workers and dispose of them properly.

Baterías/Pilas: Las baterías/pilas deben desecharse como residuos peligrosos. Si se tiran al bote de basura o en el contenedor de reciclaje, estas podrían provocar incendios en nuestras instalaciones. Por lo tanto, ayude a proteger a nuestros trabajadores y elimínelas correctamente.

Clean your recyclables: When recycling your different items make sure to clean and dry them before putting them in your bin! Water-wise tip - use dirty dishwater and/or a used napkin. For example, this peanut butter jar would be ok.

Limpie sus envases: ¡Al reciclar los diferentes envases, asegurarse de vaciarlos, enjuagarlos y secarlos antes de ponerlos en su contenedor de reciclaje! Para economizar agua: utilice agua del fregadero o utilice una servilleta. Por ejemplo, este frasco de mantequilla de maní estaría bien.

BULKY ITEM PICK-UP RECOGIDA DE ARTÍCULOS GRANDES

Ready to Spring Clean?

Follow these outlines below and get your bulky items to the curb:

- ✓ **4 free bulky item pick-ups per year for residents**
4 recolecciones gratuitas de artículos a granel por año para residentes
- ✓ **Set out 1 bulky item and up to 7 bags of refuse**
Ponga 1 artículo voluminoso y hasta 7 bolsas de basura
- ✗ **No liquid waste or hazardous materials**
No desechos líquidos ni materiales peligrosos

Unincorporated Sonoma County residents can schedule a bulky item pick-up at / Las residentes de Unincorporated

Sonoma County pueden programar una recogida de artículos grandes en: 800.243.0291 or / o RecologySonomaMarin@Recology.com.



HAZARDOUS WASTE

RESIDUOS PELIGROSOS



DO NOT dispose of household hazardous waste in the garbage, recycle, or compost bins. It is extremely dangerous to sanitation workers and must be disposed of properly. **Zero Waste Sonoma** has several options for the proper disposal of household hazardous waste. Visit their website at ZeroWasteSonoma.gov or call 707.565.3375 for more information.

NO ponga los residuos domésticos peligrosos en el bote de basura o en los contenedores de reciclaje o compostaje. Es extremadamente peligroso para los trabajadores de saneamiento, y deben ser eliminados adecuadamente. **Zero Waste Sonoma** tiene varias opciones para la eliminación adecuada de los residuos domésticos peligrosos. Visite el sitio web ZeroWasteSonoma.gov o llame al 707.565.3375 para obtener más información.

COMPOST

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Food scraps
Restos de comida



Plant trimmings
Recortes de plantas



Food soiled or wet paper
Papel sucio o mojado



Wooden utensils, chopsticks, & stir sticks
Utensilios de madera, palillos y palillos mezcladores

RECYCLING

RECICLAJE



Plastic containers: bottles, jugs, & tubs
Envases de plástico: botellas, jarras y cubos/baldes



Glass bottles & jars (metal caps & lids on)
Botellas y frascos de vidrio (con las tapas de metal puestas)



Paper, cardboard, & cartons
Papel y cartón



Aluminum, steel, tin: cans, foil, & trays
Aluminio, acero, hojalata: latas, papel y bandejas de aluminio



Don't know where something goes?
¿No sabes a dónde van las cosas?
Use our What Bin tool / Vaya a: Recology.com/RSMWhatbin