

# ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

## TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES



### SENATE BILL 1383: STATE ORGANICS LAW

California's new waste law, SB 1383, is a statewide effort to reduce emissions with one of its goals to reduce organic waste 50% by Jan. 1, 2020, and 75% by Jan. 1, 2025. Organics and compostable materials placed in landfills break down without oxygen. This creates methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Instead, these materials should be disposed in the organics collection where they can be turned into compost which supports our local agriculture and food cycle.

All single family households are automatically provided curbside organics (compost/green cart) service. If you do not have compost service, contact Recology at 650-595-3900 or visit [recology.com](http://recology.com) to set it up.

## Creating an **environmentally sound** community

### AVAILABLE REBATES FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE RENTALS AND PURCHASES

Want to test drive an electric vehicle before purchasing one? Peninsula Clean Energy offers up to \$200 for a two- to three-day EV rental for all San Mateo County residents.

Learn more at [peninsulacleanenergy.com/EVtestdrive](http://peninsulacleanenergy.com/EVtestdrive)

Are you ready to purchase an EV? Peninsula Clean Energy offers up to \$4,000 to purchase a used EV. Residents must apply and be pre-approved. Learn more at [peninsulacleanenergy.com/UsedEV](http://peninsulacleanenergy.com/UsedEV)

There are also federal and state incentives and rebates available.

Visit [menlopark.org/electricvehicles](http://menlopark.org/electricvehicles)

### POPULAR SHREDDING EVENT IS BACK

Saturday, Aug. 6, 2022  
9 a.m. – noon  
City Corporation Yard  
333 Burgess Ave.

Residents and businesses can prevent identity theft by shredding sensitive documents at the City's popular free shredding event. Confidential document destruction includes items such as receipts, checks, pre-approved credit applications, credit card statements, outdated tax returns, pre-printed envelopes and business cards. Participants are limited to three boxes (10" x 12" x 15") per vehicle and materials will be shredded on-site. Documents with paper clips and staples are acceptable. Don't bring e-waste or household hazardous waste.

To practice social distancing, please follow these guidelines:

- Please label "Shred only" on any shredding materials and leave them in the trunk.
- It is recommended to remove all other personal items from the trunk to avoid any accidents.
- Residents will open their trunks before driving up to the vendors, remain in their vehicles with their face masks on, and the vendors will pick up the shredding materials from the trunks.

Visit [menlopark.org/shredding](http://menlopark.org/shredding)



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### SOLID WASTE AND WATER DISCOUNT PROGRAM

The City Council approved a rate assistance program to assist those suffering financial hardship. The program runs through June 30, 2022. Qualified households may receive a 20% monthly discount on solid waste service from Recology San Mateo County and a fixed monthly discount on water service from Menlo Park Municipal Water.

To be eligible for this program, households must meet the following criteria:

- Must be enrolled in the PG&E CARE program, which is another discount program that offers a monthly minimum of 20% on gas and electricity
- Submit most recent PG&E bill to verify CARE enrollment. Address on the PG&E bill must be the same on the solid waste and water bills, but the names may be different
- Submit a most recent Recology and Menlo Park Municipal Water bills to receive applicable discounts
- Re-certify eligibility according to the PG&E CARE program enrollment expiration date.

Households may enroll in the PG&E CARE program by either visiting their website at [pge.com/carefera](http://pge.com/carefera), calling 1-877-743-2273 or emailing [careandfera@pge.com](mailto:careandfera@pge.com).

After enrolling in the CARE program, please visit the City's webpage at [menlopark.org/rateassistance](http://menlopark.org/rateassistance) for more details about the program.

**City of Menlo Park**  
701 Laurel St.  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
650-330-6720  
[menlopark.org/citymanager](http://menlopark.org/citymanager)

For households who live in the California Water (Cal Water) service area, its Customer Assistance Program provides financial assistance for qualified households.

Visit [calwater.com/cap](http://calwater.com/cap) or email [cap@calwater.com](mailto:cap@calwater.com).

### UPCOMING HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) COLLECTION EVENT

Saturday, July 30, 2022  
8:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Location to be announced upon appointment confirmation. Space is limited and appointments are required in advance

Acceptable HHW items include acids/bases, aerosol cans, automotive supplies (car batteries, motor oil, antifreeze, break fluids), cleaning products, fertilizers, pesticides, flammable liquids, fluorescent lights (compact and tubes), paints, inks and photo chemicals. Radioactive, explosive, medical and commercial waste is prohibited.

Schedule an appointment online by visiting [menlopark.org/hhw](http://menlopark.org/hhw) or call 650-372-6200.

### ON-CALL BULKY ITEM COLLECTION SERVICE

Twice a year, Recology offers a scheduled pickup service of large and bulky items. Residents may set out:

- Two cubic yards of bagged/boxed solid waste
- One large appliance (such as a washing machine, dryer, refrigerator or freezer)
- One bulky item (such as a mattress, couch or up to four tires without rims)
- Electronic waste (such as a TV, computer or computer monitor)

No liquids, dirt, rock, concrete, asphalt, hazardous waste or items that exceed 5 feet in length or exceeding 200 pounds.

Contact 650-595-3900 or visit [recology.com](http://recology.com) to schedule an appointment. For residents in multifamily dwellings, please contact your property manager to schedule a bulky item pickup.

### GARBAGE/RECYCLING SERVICE QUESTIONS

Recology San Mateo County

- Visit [Recology.com](http://Recology.com)
- Call 650-595-3900