



Proud to be your service provider for the collection of **Recyclables, Garbage, Food Scraps & Yard Trimmings.**

Multi-Family Residential News

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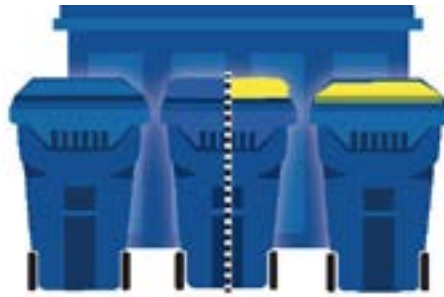
RECYCLING

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1. KNOW WHAT

TO THROW GARBAGE, FOOD SCRAPS & YARD TRIMMINGS **DO NOT** belong in the blue **RECYCLABLES** collection containers.

For posters, guides, lists of what belongs in each collection container, and more, please visit: www.milpitassanitation.com/multifamily/resources/.



2. MAINTAIN A CLEAN STREAM!

Empty, wipe and/or rinse recyclable plastic, metal, and glass food containers. Make sure recyclable paper is clean and dry before placing in the proper **RECYCLABLES** containers.

3. KEEP IT LOOSE! Keep recyclables loose inside your collection container. Recyclables in bags (especially opaque/black ones) are sorted out as garbage and end up in the landfill.



Sorting Tip! Keep an Eye on Size!

Corrugated cardboard and paper boxes should be flattened and large pieces cut to 2' x 2' or smaller. **Why?**

- Allows for more room in your cart or bin.
- Prevents litter and container overflow issues.
- Assures the pieces will fit in the hoppers of our trucks for safe and efficient collection for recyclables.



See it in action! Scan the QR code for a video link to see why properly sized cardboard is so important!



Split-Cart Recycling Means Less Contamination

Using the Blue **RECYCLABLES** Split Carts or Dedicated Carts and/or Bins properly means:

- Compliance with the City of Milpitas collection program and State Regulations AB341, AB1826, and SB1383.
- Less contamination/higher quality product to help meet export requirements (see "Did You Know?" below).

For more information, visit: www.milpitassanitation.com/sorting/.

DID YOU KNOW?

The majority of your recycling is taken abroad. In 2017, a series of world-wide restricted export requirements for recyclable materials were put in place. These higher standards have:

- Increased the effort (time and labor) required to properly separate and prepare materials for market.
- Decreased the number and types of items that can be recycled.
- Lowered or eliminated recyclable commodity revenues for many materials.

California Regulations Require Recycling and Composting.

California Senate Bill 1383 requires all Multi-Family Residences, regardless of complex size, to sort **RECYCLABLES & ORGANIC** material (including food scraps and food-soiled paper) out of the garbage.

Visit: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp for more info.



WE CAN PROVIDE MATERIALS TO ASSIST YOUR TENANTS WITH COMPLIANCE, PROPER SORTING, AND WASTE REDUCTION:

Service Guides, Move in/out Flyers, and Posters: Keep your tenants informed on how to properly sort and prevent waste.

Special Recycling Tote Bags: Make it easy for residents to transport recyclables to the blue recyclables collection container(s) at your complex. Milpitas Sanitation provides one bag per unit at no charge.



Kitchen Food Scraps Pails:* Used to store food scraps until emptied as needed into the food scraps collection containers.



*Kitchen Food Scraps Pails are available to residents of complexes that offer Food Scraps collection services. Contact us today to set up service!

Help Us Help You! Thank you for taking these simple steps to help us provide safe and efficient services for you.

- Properly sort your discarded materials.
- Make sure your container lids close to prevent overflow and litter.
- Bag waste and place in the gray GARBAGE containers. (Remember: gloves, masks, wipes, tissues, and anything with bodily fluids should be bagged and placed in the garbage.)

Neighborhood Clean Up Days

The City of Milpitas, together with Milpitas Sanitation, will be holding Neighborhood Clean-Up Events (aka Dumpster Days) to provide debris bins for residents to dispose of large/bulky items. Scan this QR Code for more info.



PROPERTY OWNERS & MANAGERS: SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR TENANTS! This newsletter can be downloaded & printed from our website at: milpitassanitation.com/multifamily/resources/.



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Recycle, Rot & Donate!

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