

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

Multi-Family Residential News

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Make Sure Your Complex Has the Right Levels of Collection Service!

Not having the right levels of service causes overflow, creates litter, and pollutes waterways.

LITTER POLLUTION (ESPECIALLY PLASTICS):

- Persists in the environment for hundreds of years.
- Poses a threat to wildlife.
- Harbors harmful chemicals.



YOU CAN PREVENT LITTER POLLUTION AT YOUR COMPLEX

- Right size your containers and collection frequencies to prevent contamination, overflow, and possible fines.* Contact us to arrange a free waste assessment.
- Educate your management, maintenance staff, and tenants on proper sorting and disposal. We can help! See article at right.
- Report illegal dumping/abandoned waste to the Milpitas Police Department (Non-Emergency) at (408) 586-2400 or through the My Milpitas app.
- Remember pet waste needs to be picked up and disposed of in the garbage. Make sure there are adequate/convenient pet waste disposal locations for your tenants.
- Have large items? Arrange for a Multi-Family Bulky Item/Clean Up. Fees apply. For rates, visit our website or contact us.

*Fines can be assessed to complexes that violate storm water regulations by having litter in collection enclosures.

California Regulations (AB 1826 & SB 1383) Require Recycling & Composting!

Multi-Family Residences with 5 or more units MUST SORT RECYCLABLES AND ORGANIC MATERIAL OUT OF THE GARBAGE. Visit www.CalRecycle.ca.gov/ recycle for information about the Mandatory Commercial Recycling Ordinances.

Have You Received a SB 1383 Notice? We Can Help!

To comply with state regulations, start your recycling program today! Milpitas Sanitation representatives are available to:

- Assist you with starting, or improving, your recycling services.
- Visit your complex to conduct waste assessments.
- Make service suggestions.
- Provide posters, service guides, and recycling totes.
- Help train employees and tenants.



Avoid Wishcycling

By placing items that are not recyclable in the recycling cart, you can:

- Cause contamination which leads to recyclables ending up in the landfill
- Increase collection costs
- Injure employees
- Damage sorting machinery

THESE ITEMS BELONG IN THE GARBAGE:

- chip/snack packaging
- film plastic/plastic wrap
- crockery/dishware
- bubble wrap
- masks/gloves
- online/bubble wrappers
- CDs/VHS tapes
- plastic plates/cups/cutlery
- small appliances
- Styrofoam[®] blocks/foodware/packaging peanuts

WHEN IN DOUBT ... FIND OUT!

Visit our website or contact us if you have a question.

Holiday Service Schedule

There will be **NO CHANGES** to the collection schedule during the week of Labor Day.



SENATE BILL 1383 COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE

Yard Trimmings

Are you using a landscaper at your complex? If so, you may be eligible for a De Minimis Waiver for SB 1383 Compliance. Contact MilpitasRecycles@milpitas.gov for more information.

Kitchen Food Scraps Pails*

Your complex is required to collect food scraps and food-

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soiled paper. Your tenants can use the pails to store food scraps until they empty into the required food scraps collection containers at your complex.

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

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



Remember to: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot & Donate!

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