



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

# Single Family Residential News

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## Use Your Handy Kitchen Pail to Sort Food Scraps for Senate Bill 1383 Compliance!

**Senate Bill 1383 is California's Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Strategy.** Organics like food scraps, yard trimmings, paper, and cardboard make up half of what Californians dump in landfills. Organic waste in landfills emits methane, a powerful greenhouse gas. By reducing the landfilling of food & yard waste, you will help fight climate change by decreasing the amount of greenhouse gasses that contribute to climate pollutants.

**Effective January 2022, all residents and businesses in California need to have organic waste collection services. If you properly use the MSI GARBAGE/FOOD SCRAPS split collection carts and the YARD TRIMMINGS carts you are already compliant!**



Use your kitchen food scraps pail to store food scraps until you empty it into the food scraps side of your Gray **GARBAGE/FOOD SCRAPS** Split Cart. Whether the food is fresh, frozen, cooked, or spoiled, it can go into the brown side of your split cart. You can put food-soiled paper in as well! Please do not place the pail at the curb for collection.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** plastic lined paper such as a to-go coffee cup is **NOT** compostable and **belongs** in the **GARBAGE**.

**Please remember to properly sort your waste. It makes a world of difference!** For more information about Senate Bill 1383, visit: [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp).



- Gray = Garbage
- Brown = Food Scraps
- Blue = Recyclables
- Green = Yard Trimmings

## Recycle Right - Support the Sort!

*The cleanest and most efficient sorting of materials starts with you.*

**KNOW WHAT TO THROW!** Please remember to place recyclable materials only in your blue split **RECYCLABLES** carts.

**MAINTAIN A CLEAN STREAM!** Make sure recyclable plastic, metal & glass food containers are empty and dry before placing them in the recyclable containers side of the blue split **RECYCLABLES** cart.

**SORTING MATTERS! OUR SPLIT TRUCKS KEEP MATERIALS SEPARATE.**



Our collection vehicles that service the split carts **have split bodies that keep the materials separated.** The trucks empty the materials separately at the processing facilities.

**SEE MORE!** Visit our website: [www.MilpitasSanitation.com](http://www.MilpitasSanitation.com) and click on the "Why Sort?" icon on the home page for a video.

## Collection Day Reminders

- Place carts out for collection by 6:00am.
- Make sure cart wheels are facing your home.
- Make sure cart lids are fully closed. Overloaded carts can cause litter and attract critters like crows and raccoons.
- Place materials loosely inside carts so they will empty properly. Do you need more room? Milpitas Residents can request extra **RECYCLABLES** split carts and **YARD TRIMMINGS** carts at no additional charge.
- Leave three feet (or as much space as possible) between each cart and avoid placing carts near obstacles.



## Only Rain in the Storm Drains!



**Anything other than rain water is an illegal discharge in storm drains.**

For more information, visit:  
[www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/milpitas/departments/fire/fire-prevention/hazardous-materials/urban-run-off-program/](http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/milpitas/departments/fire/fire-prevention/hazardous-materials/urban-run-off-program/).



## Holiday Service Schedule

Collection days will NOT change during the weeks of Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Presidents' Day. Please be sure to put your carts out for collection by 6am on your regular service day.

## Hazardous Waste Recycling & Disposal



FOR SANTA CLARA COUNTY

## Put Hazardous Waste in the Right Place!

**Hazardous Waste does not belong in any Milpitas Sanitation collection container.** Pesticides, fertilizers, pool & photo chemicals, paint/varnish, toxic cleaning products, smoke detectors, mercury-containing items (thermometers, CFLs/fluorescent lights, etc.), unwanted medications, and sharps (needles, lancets, etc.) need to be taken to a hazardous waste collection facility. For more information and a list of Santa Clara County's free collection facilities: visit: **HHW.org** or call: **408-299-7300**.

**REDUCE & REUSE BEFORE YOU RECYCLE.** For tips on using less, visit:  
[www.milpitassanitation.com/reduce-reuse-recycle/](http://www.milpitassanitation.com/reduce-reuse-recycle/).



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

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