



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

Single Family Residential News

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Sorting Makes a Difference!

Gray = Garbage
Brown = Food Scraps
Blue = Recyclable Containers
Yellow = Paper/Fibers
Green = Yard Trimmings

We thank you for your efforts!

Milpitas residents are doing a great job of keeping most recyclable items out of the landfill through proper sorting. Some fine tuning will take recycling to the next level. These items are frequently placed in the wrong carts:



Cardboard

1. **Cardboard** – A lot of cardboard gets wrongly thrown away in the garbage. The correct cart to recycle cardboard is in the **yellow lid side** of the **blue recyclables** split cart.



Recyclable Containers

(Empty, Clean, and Dry)

2. **Recyclable Containers** – Items in this category include glass bottles and jars, metal cans and scrap pieces, aluminum foil, and hard plastic bottles, jars, tubs and trays. These items are often wrongly thrown away in the garbage. Place recyclable containers in the **blue lid side** of the **blue recyclables** split cart.

A WORD ABOUT CARDBOARD



Please remember to **flatten cardboard and paper boxes and cut larger pieces to 2' x 2' or smaller before placing them into the yellow lid side of the blue recyclables split cart. This helps:**

- Maximize space in the recyclables cart
- Prevent blockage inside the cart
- Keep drivers safe and the collection program efficient

Have extra cardboard? Flatten, cut, and stack next to your cart. **DO NOT** place in other streams.

MAINTAIN A CLEAN STREAM

Empty and scrape recyclable plastic, metal and glass containers before placing them in the **blue lid side** of the **blue recyclables** split cart.



Remember food-soiled paper belongs in the **brown lid side** of your **gray garbage/food scraps** split cart.

YOU CAN USE A PLASTIC BAG FOR FOOD SCRAPS

You can use any plastic bag, newspaper, or brown paper bag to line the food scraps side of your gray garbage/food scraps split cart or your handy Kitchen Food Scraps Pail. **Do not place the pail at the curb for collection.**



NO SHARPS OR HAZARDOUS WASTE

Please remember that sharps and other hazardous waste items are NOT allowed in any Milpitas Sanitation collection container. Ask your doctor or pharmacist about available disposal options for sharps, or contact Santa Clara County Household Hazardous Waste via the QR code, at HHW.org, or by calling **(408) 299-7300**.



GET YOUR STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

Milpitas residential streets are swept twice a month to keep our neighborhood streets clean and storm drains open. Please remember to move your vehicle on your street sweeping days. Street sweeping occurs between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm.



Not sure when your sweeping day is? Find your schedule by visiting www.milpitassanitation.com/sweeperdays/ or by scanning the QR code.



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!

Scan the QR code for our "Why Sort?" webpage and a video.



Holiday Service Schedule



There will be **NO CHANGES** to the collection schedule during the weeks of July 4th and Labor Day.

Thank you! Your efforts keep our drivers safe and the collection program cost effective & efficient!



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

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