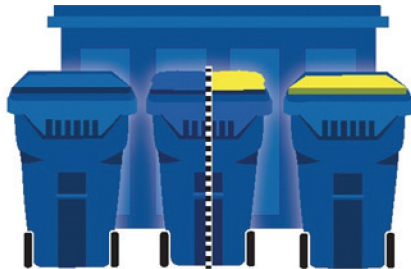


Commercial Customer News

SEPTEMBER 2023

Sorting Makes a Difference!



We thank you for your efforts!

Milpitas businesses 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. Recent contamination monitoring in Milpitas showed that these items are frequently placed in the wrong containers:



Cardboard

1. **Cardboard** – A lot of cardboard gets wrongly thrown away in the garbage. To recycle *clean* cardboard, place it in the **blue recyclables** container. If you have a container with a **yellow lid**, place the cardboard there.



**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 recyclables** container.

A WORD ABOUT CARDBOARD



Please remember to flatten cardboard and paper boxes and cut pieces down to 3' x 3' or smaller if they don't fit in the container.

This helps:

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

MAINTAIN A CLEAN STREAM

Empty and scrape recyclable plastic, metal and glass containers before placing them in the **blue recyclables** container. Items that are dirty or still have food inside may contaminate clean items, causing the whole load of recyclables to wind up in the landfill.



Remember *food-soiled* paper and *food-soiled* cardboard belong in the **brown food scraps** container.

Have You Received a Senate Bill 1383 Notice? We Can Help!

SB1383 is a state regulation requiring commercial businesses to sort **recyclables**, **food scraps**, and **yard trimmings** out of the garbage. To comply with state regulation, start these services today! **Non-Compliance May Lead to Fines and Penalties.**

Milpitas Sanitation representatives are available to:

- Assist you with starting, or improving, your **recycling**, **food scraps**, and **yard trimmings** services
- Visit your business to conduct waste assessments
- Make service suggestions
- Provide posters, service guides, desk side recycling boxes, and slim jims
- Help train employees and tenants



Regulations to Remember

AB 827 - Businesses with on-site dining must provide **recycling & food scraps** collection containers inside for customers. Containers must be easily accessible and clearly marked.



AB 1276 - Businesses selling food and drinks cannot provide single-use foodware accessories or condiments to a customer unless requested. Single-use foodware accessories include:

- Utensils/Chopsticks
- Condiment cups and packets
- Straws/Stirrers



Holiday Service Reminder

There will be no change to the collection schedule during the weeks of Columbus Day and Veterans Day. During Thanksgiving week, November 20 - 24, 2023, service normally provided on Thursday and Friday will be one day later.

NOVEMBER 20-25, 2023

If your collection day is:	Mon. 20	Tue. 21	Wed. 22	Thu. 23	Fri. 24
Your holiday collection day will be:	Mon. 20	Tue. 21	Wed. 22	Fri. 24	Sat. 25



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