

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle Guide

For San Mateo County



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Reduce Waste

The average home uses and stores more than 60 hazardous products! Cleaners, pesticides and herbicides contain toxic materials that are not healthy for people, animals, and the environment. Cats, dogs and other animals can be harmed from exposure to chemicals and fertilizers on lawns and in landscaping. Rainfall and the watering of lawns wash these toxins into the storm drains that empty straight into creeks, the bay and ocean without any type of treatment. This runoff harms aquatic wildlife and toxins work their way up the food chain to humans.

Switch to non-toxic products because they are better for you, your family, pets and the environment. Find more information on non-toxic gardening, pest management, and household cleaning at www.flowstobay.org. If you have any hazardous waste to dispose of, please see page 9.

Easy tips to reduce waste:

- Purchase items in bulk to reduce packaging.
- Purchase items that are produced and grown close to home.
- Rent or borrow items instead of buying new ones.
- Use reusable items such as shopping bags, water bottles, travel mugs, foodware (plates, cups, and utensils), cloth napkins, pens, pencils, razors and rechargeable batteries.
- Visit www.stopjunkmail.org to learn how to reduce unwanted mail.
- Pack waste free lunches for school and work.
- Reuse one-sided paper for printing or creating note pads.
- Repair items such as clothes, shoes, electronics, and furniture. Do it yourself or use local seamstresses, shoe cobblers, repair shops and furniture restoration shops.

Sustainability Academy Composting Offerings

Backyard Composting Workshops

These two-hour workshops are offered throughout the year. Learn how easy and fun it is to recycle your fruit and vegetable scraps, leaves, and plant cuttings into compost! Compost provides valuable nutrients for your garden soil, helps retain moisture which saves water, suppresses weeds, prevents soil erosion, and loosens clay and compacted soils for better drainage and water retention. It is rewarding to know you are turning what some consider waste into a nutrient rich organic material for your garden!

Master Compost and Solid Waste Course

This is an eight-week intensive course that is held once per year. Learn in-depth knowledge of backyard and vermicomposting, an understanding of soil biodiversity and all the benefits of adding compost to your soil, and an overview of waste reduction practices. The course is instructed in a hands-on style that teaches participants concrete skills, as well as the theory behind those skills. The Sustainability Academy is designed to educate San Mateo County community members about resource conservation and to empower them to promote resource conservation in their communities.

Call us at 888-442-2666 to learn about the next workshop or course coming up!

See pages 3-7 for reuse information.

See pages 8-12 for recycling information.

Organization	Appliances	Baby Supplies	Books	Cars, Boats, and RVs	Clothing	Electronics	Food	Furniture	Household Items	Mattresses/ Box Springs	Toys	Other	Notes X* indicates "See Notes column."	Pick Up
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Peninsula 401 Pierce Road Menlo Park 650-646-6126 www.bgcp.org			X	X		X*					X	Art and school supplies, video games, sports equipment*	Electronics: computers Pentium III or better. Sports Equipment: small items, basketballs, etc.	X
CALL Primrose Center 139 Primrose Road Burlingame 650-342-2255 www.callprimrose.org			X*				X*				X	Toiletries	Books: accepts childrens only. Food: accepts home-grown produce, canned and packaged food.	
Coastside Hope 99 Avenue Alhambra #1089 El Granada 650-726-9071 coastsidehope.org							X*						Food: nonperishable, produce, refrigerated and frozen proteins; will pick up large quantities; please call before donating.	
Ecumenical Hunger Program 2411 Pulgas Avenue East Palo Alto 650-323-7781 www.ehpcare.org	X*	X*	X		X	X*	X*	X*	X	X	X		Appliances: accepts small and large; large ones less than 8 years old. Baby Supplies: no expired car seats. Electronics: computer equipment should be in working order. Food: catered and nonperishable. Furniture: no tears, scratches or stains. Pick Up: from Sunnyvale to San Mateo.	X*
Family Connections Redwood City, Menlo Park and East Palo Alto locations 650-556-9503 www.familyconnections.org	X*		X*								X*		Appliances: no large. Books and Toys: preschool childrens books and toys.	X
Goodwill Industries of San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin Counties Multiple locations. 415-575-2137 www.sfgoodwill.org	X*		X*	X	X	X*		X	X*		X	Textbooks, bicycles, surfboards, snowboards, wetsuits, skateboards	Appliances: no large. Books: no encyclopedias or magazines. Electronics: computer and stereo equipment, TVs, etc. Household Items: CDs, DVDs, records, phones and cell phones.	
Home & Hope Call first to arrange donations. Burlingame 650-652-1103 www.homeandhope.net		X*	X		X	X*	X*	X	X			Toiletries, baby wipes, laundry soap, soap and shampoo.	Baby Supplies: car seats that are not expired. Electronics: computer equipment must be 5 years old or less and working; call regarding donation arrangements. Food: catered and produce.	

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Human Services Agency of San Mateo County Children's Fund Belmont and San Carlos locations 650-802-5152 childrensfund.smcgov.org		X*			X*	X*						Bicycles and costumes	Baby Supplies: clothing newborn to 6T only and diapers. Electronics: computer equipment 5 years old or less and working.	
Latino Commission/ Entre Familia Call first for drop off. South San Francisco 650-244-1444 www.thelatinocommission.org	X*				X*	X*		X*	X	X*		Bedding	Appliances: washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers only; 5 years old or less. Clothing: mens and womens only. Electronics: computer equipment 2 years old or less. Furniture: couches, dressers, small pieces; no large pieces. Mattresses: twin size only.	X
LifeMoves Menlo Park, Redwood City and San Mateo locations 650-685-5880 lifemoves.org	X*	X			X	X*	X*	X	X	X*	X	Accepts art materials for day care program, school supplies, basketballs, footballs, office supplies, linens, bedding, towels, diapers and cleaning supplies	Appliances: no large. Electronics: computers must be working and compatible with current technology and 2 years old or less; please call ahead; TVs 24"-32" must be less than 5 years old and in good, working condition. Food: nonperishable, produce and frozen food. Mattresses: twin, full or double.	X
Palm Avenue Detox 2251 Palm Ave. San Mateo 650-513-6500 horizonservices.org					X		X					Sheets, blankets, towels, socks and non-alcoholic based hygienic products		
Parca See Savers for drop off location. Burlingame 877-997-2722 www.parca.org	X*		X	X*	X	X*			X		X	Bicycles, sporting goods and garden tools	Appliances: no large. Cars, Boats and RVs: cars only. Electronics: DVD and VCR players, stereo equipment and TVs 29 inches and smaller.	X

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Peninsula Humane Society and SPCA 12 Airport Boulevard San Mateo 650-340-7022 x 389 www.peninsulahumane.society.org							X*					Pet supplies and items for animal care*	Food: pet food, apples, berries, corn, hotdogs and creamy, unopened peanut butter. Pet Supplies: newspapers, heating pads (nonautomatic shut off kind), blankets and towels are accepted for pet care.	
Pick of the Litter 1127 Chula Vista Avenue Burlingame 650-344-1662 www.peninsulahumane.society.org			X	X	X	X*		X*	X		X*	Holiday decorations	Electronics: call for approval. Furniture: call for approval. Pick Up: for large donations. Toys: puzzles and board games only.	X*
Project 90 Pick up only. San Mateo 650-579-7881 www.projectninet.org	X*			X*		X*		X*				Vehicles in working order	Appliances: 5 years old or less. Cars, Boats and RVs: working cars only. Electronics: TVs 5 years old or less. Furniture: sofas, no sleeper sofas, tears, stains or soil.	X
Puente de la Costa Sur Call first to arrange donations. Pescadero 650-879-1691 mypuente.org	X*	X*	X		X	X		X*	X			Bicycles, blankets	Appliances: no large; accepts small TVs and microwaves. Baby Supplies: no car seats. Furniture: small tables, cribs, strollers, cradles; please call before donating or delivering.	
St. Francis Center 151 Buckingham Avenue Redwood City 650-365-7829 www.stfrancisrwc.org	X*	X	X*		X*	X*	X*	X*	X			Blankets, sheets, towels, child car seats in good condition	Appliances: no large. Books: childrens only. Clothing: casual and barely used baby and childrens clothing. Electronics: computers 5 years old or less. Food: nonperishable food within the expiration date and fresh produce. Furniture: small pieces.	
St. Vincent de Paul Society Daly City, South San Francisco, San Mateo and Redwood City locations. 650-871-6844 svdp-sanmateo.org	X*		X	X*	X			X*	X			Sleeping bags and bicycles	Appliances: frost-free refrigerators only; must be plugged in for 24 hours. Cars, Boats and RVs: cars only. Furniture and other items: no tears or stains, or items needing repairs.	

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Samaritan House 4031 Pacifica Boulevard San Mateo 650-341-4081 samaritanhouse sanmateo.org		X*			X*		X*				X*	Toiletries, blankets, children's and adult bicycles	Baby Supplies: no car seats. Clothing: infants-teens gently used clothing. Food: nonperishable food. Toys: new toys accepted October, November and December only. Other: call before donating.	
Savers 875 Main Street Redwood City 650-364-5545 www.savers.com	X*	X*	X		X	X		X	X		X	Sporting goods and bicycles	Appliances: no large. Baby Supplies: clothes only. Pick Up: see Parca for pick up.	X*
Senior Coastsiders Thrift Store 515 Kelly Avenue Half Moon Bay 650-726-6543 www.seniorcoastsiders.org			X*		X			X*	X			Bicycles, jewelry, garden pots and planters	Books: no school books, magazines or encyclopedias. Furniture: no upholstered, small pieces only; call first.	
South Coast Children's Services Pescadero Thrift Shop 2041 Pescadero Creek Road Pescadero 650-879-9613 southcoastchildrensservices.org	X*		X*		X	X*			X			Jewelry, collectibles	Appliances: no large. Books: no textbooks or outdated computer manuals. Electronics: no TVs, fax machines, printers or microwaves.	
Spring Street Shelter 2686 Spring Street Redwood City 650-365-5772 x 2 www.mhasmc.org			X		X*	X*	X		X		X	Toiletries	Clothing: mens and womens only. Electronics: computer equipment 5 years old or less; please call before donating.	
The Salvation Army South San Francisco and San Bruno locations. 800-728-7825 satruck.com	X*		X	X	X*	X		X	X	X	X	Bicycles	Appliances: no built-in. Clothing: must have 10 or more bags for pick up.	X
The Shop: A Junior League of Palo Alto-Mid Peninsula Fund Raiser 785 Santa Cruz Avenue Menlo Park 650-328-7467 www.thejuniorleague.org			X*		X			X*	X		X	Accessories, shoes, jewelry, CDs and DVDs	Books: current best sellers and cookbooks. Furniture: please call for authorization; no office or melamine furniture.	
United Cerebral Palsy Association 1060 El Camino Real San Carlos 650-593-1811	X*	X*		X	X	X*		X			X	Bicycles, art supplies, sporting equipment and office supplies	Appliances: no large. Baby Supplies: car seats 5 years old or less, cribs, no drop down side cribs, strollers and high chairs. Electronics: computers (your name and address are needed); no large TVs over 32 inches; items need to be in good working condition.	X

Other Reusable Items

Bicycles

The following locations fix up old bicycles for resale or donation:

Cardinal Bicycle Shop

1955 El Camino Real, Palo Alto
650-328-8900
www.cardinalbikes.com

Silicon Valley Bicycle Exchange

2566 Leghorn Street, Mountain View
408-255-3767
bikex.org

Woodside Bike Shop

1523 Woodside Road, Redwood City
650-299-1071
www.woodsidebikeshop.com

See pages 3-6 for more locations that accept working bicycles only.

Cell Phones

Cell phone retailers are required by law to take back phones for reuse or recycling.

Eye Glasses

Local Lions Clubs sponsor an eyeglass reuse collection program. Many optometry stores contain collection boxes for the eyeglasses.
www.lionsclubs.org

Food

Call Primrose

139 Primrose Road, Burlingame
650-342-2255
www.callprimrose.org
Accepts nonperishable and produce.

Pacifica Resource Center

1809 Palmetto Avenue, Pacifica
650-738-7470
pacresourcecenter.org
Accepts nonperishable, eggs, produce and frozen.

Second Harvest Food Bank

1051 Bing Street, San Carlos
650-610-0800
www.shfb.org
Accepts nonperishable and produce.

Village Harvest

San Jose
888-378-4841
www.villageharvest.org
If you have a large amount of fruit or are physically unable to harvest it because of age or disability, they organize teams of volunteers to harvest and share with community organizations.

See pages 3-6 for more locations that accept food.

Medical Supplies

The following locations take walkers, crutches, canes, wheel chairs, electric scooters and power wheelchairs in working condition:

Center for the Independence of the Disabled

2001 Winward Way, Suite 103
San Mateo
650-645-1780
www.cidсанmateo.org

The Salvation Army

South San Francisco and San Bruno locations.
800-728-7825
satruck.com

Savers

875 Main Street, Redwood City
650-364-5545
www.savers.com

Vida-USA

1519 Hollis Street, Emeryville
510-655-8432
www.vidausa.org
Also takes beds.

Supplies for Art Projects

The following locations accept arts, crafts and unusual items for school projects. Call before donating.

RAFT

1160 Kern Avenue, Sunnyvale
408-451-1420
www.raftbayarea.org

SCRAP

801 Toland at Newcomb, San Francisco
415-647-1746
www.scrap-sf.org

Nursery Pots

The following is a partial listing of nurseries that take back rigid black plastic pots and reuse them or return them to growers for reuse. Please call your local nursery if it does not appear on this list.

Please call the nursery prior to dropping off used pots.

Bongard's Treescape Nursery

12460 San Mateo Road (HWY 92),
Half Moon Bay
650-726-4568
All sizes

Golden Nursery

1122 2nd Avenue, San Mateo
650-348-5525
Accepts all containers from Golden Nursery.

Half Moon Bay Nursery

11691 San Mateo Road (HWY 92)
Half Moon Bay
650-726-5392
1 gallon and above

M&M Nursery

332 Woodside Road, Redwood City
650-366-4429
1 to 15 gallons

Wegman's Nursery

492 Woodside Road, Redwood City
650-368-5908
1 gallon and larger; black only; call first

Yerba Buena Nursery

12511 San Mateo Road (HWY 92)
Half Moon Bay
650-851-1668
1 gallon; black only

Packaging (Peanuts and Bubble Wrap)

Ask your local packaging or shipping store if they will accept various packaging materials for reuse.

Pack and Mail Express

1017 El Camino Real (located in Sequoia Station) Redwood City
650-365-2892
Call before dropping off materials.

Strawflower Electronics

160 San Mateo Road (HWY 92),
Suite E, Half Moon Bay
650-726-8181
www.strawflowerelectronics.com

The UPS Store

Various locations. Peanuts only.
800-742-5877
www.ups.com

Remodeling Your Property

Donate building materials to salvage yards for reuse.

Habitat for Humanity

Call first for drop off.
1411 Industrial Road, San Carlos
650-847-4000
sancarlosrestore.habitatgsf.org
Accepts working HDMI compatible TVs, furniture, doors, plumbing, cabinets, counter tops, windows, flooring, lumber, tools, hardware, tile, roofing, bathroom and lighting fixtures, piping and new insulation.

Rebuilding Together Peninsula

Redwood City
650-366-6597
www.rebuildingtogetherpeninsula.org
Accepts items in like-new condition including carpeting, kitchen cabinets, electrical fixtures and appliances 3 years old or less.
Call ahead to see if item is needed.

Whole House Building Supply

San Mateo
650-218-8596
www.driftwoodsalvage.com
Deconstructs houses and holds sales all over the Peninsula. Also accepts redwood, doors, windows and other building materials. Call for details.

Online Resources

www.craigslist.org

Provides free classifieds in an online platform for buying, selling, donating and trading used goods.

www.freecycle.org

Join a free email listserv within your geographic area where you can post items to donate and search for free items.

Drop-Off Locations	Recycling Drop-Off								
	KEY: ✓ = Accepts CRV = California Redemption Value – Get cash back for aluminum cans, glass or plastic bottles								
	Appliances	Cardboard	Electronics	Glass Jars and Bottles	Mattresses	Metal	Mixed Paper	Plastic Containers (#1 – #7)	Tires
Blue Line Transfer, Inc. 500 East Jamie Ct. South San Francisco 650-589-5511 www.ssfscavenger.com M-F 6:30-4:30 Sat 7:00-4:30	✓ Fee	✓	✓ Cell phones, computer monitors, TVs and laptops Fee for other electronics	✓ CRV See Drop-Off Notes	✓ limit 4 per resident (call first)	✓ CRV See Drop-Off Notes Fee for scrap metal	✓	✓ CRV See Drop-Off Notes	✓ Fee
Ox Mountain Landfill 12310 San Mateo Rd. Half Moon Bay 650-726-1819 M-Sat 8:00-4:30	✓ Fee	✓	✓ Fee	✓	✓ limit 4 per resident	✓ Fee for scrap metal	✓	✓ (no black)	✓ Fee
Pescadero Transfer Station Bean Hollow Rd. & Artichoke Rd. Pescadero 650-592-2411 F 10:00-5:30, Sat-Sun 9:00-4:30	✓ Fee	✓ Fee		✓ Fee	✓ limit 4 per resident	✓ Fee for scrap metal	✓ Fee	✓ Fee (no black)	✓ Fee
Recology of the Coast Recycling Yard 1046 Palmetto Ave. Pacifica 650-355-9000 www.recology.com T, Th 8:00-4:00 & Sat 8:00-1:00	✓ Fee for refrigerators, freezers	✓	✓ Cell phones, office and home equipment	✓	✓ limit 2 sets per resident	✓	✓ Including hard cover books	✓	✓ Fee
Recology San Bruno Transfer Station 101 Tanforan Ave. San Bruno 650-583-8536 www.recology.com T, Th 10:00-noon									
Shoreway Environmental Center-Recycling Drop-Off 333 Shoreway Rd. San Carlos 650-802-8355 www.sbrecycling.net M-Sat 8:30-4:00	✓ Fee See Drop-Off Notes	✓	✓ Cell phones, office and home equipment Fee for copy machines	✓ CRV	✓ limit 5 per resident	✓ CRV scrap metal (not painted)	✓ Including hard cover books	✓ CRV (no black)	✓ Fee See Drop-Off Notes

Recycling helps to reduce global warming

Manufacturing goods from recycled materials typically requires less energy and water than producing goods from virgin materials. When energy demands are decreased, fewer fossil fuels are burned, and less carbon dioxide is emitted into the atmosphere.

— U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Climate Change and Waste

Household Hazardous Waste

s. (Exceptions apply.)

For a full list of locations accepting batteries, fluorescent bulbs, motor oil and filters, call 888-442-2666 or visit sustainability.smcgov.org.

Wood (Clean loads)	Recycling Drop-Off Notes:	Antifreeze	Batteries (Car)	Batteries (Household)	Fluorescent Bulbs & Tubes	Motor Oil & Filters	Paint Products (Latex, oil based, stain & varnish)	HHW Notes:
✓ Fee	CRV buyback hours M-F 7:00-2:00; Sat 7:00-noon	✓	✓	✓ Fee	✓ Fee 10 limit; Residents only	✓ 10 gallon limit	✓ 10 gallon limit; See HHW Notes	Paint must be in original container. Drop-off hours: M-Sat 7:00-4:00. Serves residents of San Mateo County only.
✓ Fee		✓ 10 gallon limit				✓ 5 gallon limit (no filters)		Also accepts transmission oil. 5 gallon limit.
✓ Fee		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ 20 gallon limit		
✓ Fee	Serves Pacifica through Miramar only	✓ See HHW Notes	✓	✓	✓	✓ See HHW Notes	✓ 5 gallon limit per household; See HHW Notes	Paint must be in original container. Serves residents from Pacifica to Miramar only.
		✓ 5 gallon limit; Residents only	✓ Residents only	✓ Residents only	✓ Limits may apply; Residents only	✓ 5 gallon limit; Residents only	✓ 5 gallon limit	Paint must be in original container. Drop-off hours: T, Th 10:00-noon. Serves residents of San Bruno only.
✓ Fee See Drop-Off Notes	Accepted at the transfer station, M-F 6:00-6:00; Sat-Sun 8:00-5:00	✓ 15 gallon limit	✓	✓	✓ 6 feet long, 6 tube limit; Residents only	✓ 10 gallon limit	✓ 10 gallon limit; Residents only	Paint must be in original container. Free drop-off for residents only.

Many service stations will accept tires, antifreeze, motor oil and oil filters. Fees may apply.

San Mateo County Household Hazardous Waste

Collection events are alternatives to using the locations listed above. Any County resident may participate in any collection event for free. For more information or to make an appointment, visit www.smchealth.org/hhw or call 650-363-4718.

Events are held on Thursdays through Saturdays at the main facility in San Mateo, other events occur in Daly City, Half Moon Bay, La Honda, Menlo Park, Pacifica, Portola Valley, Redwood City and South San Francisco.

Other Recyclable Items

Cooking Oil

Blue Line Transfer, Inc.

500 East Jamie Court
South San Francisco
650-589-5511
www.ssfscavenger.com
\$1.00 per gallon for cooking oil.

Daly City Dept. of Water & Wastewater Resources

153 Lake Merced Blvd., Daly City
650-991-8208
www.dalycity.org
For Daly City residents only.

Evergreen Environmental Services

650-952-5000
www.gogreenevergreen.com
Call to find out the closest restaurants that will accept your oil.

Recology of the Coast

1046 Palmetto Avenue, Pacifica
650-355-9000
www.recology.com
Open to residents from Pacifica to Miramar only.

Shoreway Environmental Center

333 Shoreway Road, San Carlos
650-802-8355
www.sbrecycling.net

Clothes and Textiles

Worn out clothes and textiles can be recycled at the following locations.

Bay Rag

201 San Jose Avenue, San Jose
800-245-RAGS
www.bayrag.com
Clean textiles made with at least 50% cotton. No underwear. Commercial pick-up only, Residential drop-off only.

USAgain

800-604-9533
www.usagain.com
Visit their website to find a location.

Electronics, CDs, etc.

Old computer equipment, TVs, phones, and other items with electronic chips can be recycled, and cannot be disposed of in your garbage can.

Drop-Off:

Crown Computer Recycling

520 Bragato Road, San Carlos
650-591-0600
www.crowncomputerrecycling.com
Accepts anything electronic, CDs and DVDs (no cases), wiring, cables, remotes, etc. for no charge.

Green Citizen, Inc.

1831 Bayshore Hwy. Suite 2
Burlingame
650-493-8700 x 103
www.greencitizen.com
Accepts CDs, DVDs, wiring and cables for no charge. Accepts other electronic items for a fee. Call for details.

ZARC

26 South Linden Avenue
South San Francisco
650-871-7327
www.zarcrecycling.com

See pages 8-9 for more locations.

Plastic Packaging

Film & Wrapping:

Visit www.plasticfilmrecycling.org for locations. Accepts clean/dry bags (bread, dry cleaning, produce, Ziploc®), packaging (toilet paper, paper towel, diaper, napkin), wrapping (water, snack, furniture and electronic), Tyvek® envelopes and air pillows.

Foam Blocks for a Fee:

Green Citizen, Inc.

1831 Bayshore Hwy. Suite 2
Burlingame
650-493-8700 x 103
www.greencitizen.com

Shoes

Worn out athletic shoes can be recycled at the following locations.

Fleet Feet Sports

859 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park
650-325-9432
www.fleetfeetmenlopark.com

Road Runner Sports

1125 Industrial Road, San Carlos
650-654-2603
www.roadrunnersports.com

Miscellaneous

Terracycle

866-967-6766
www.terracycle.com
TerraCycle offers free recycling programs funded by brands, manufacturers and retailers around the world to help you collect and recycle your hard-to-recycle waste such as cigarette butts and items collected from beach clean ups.

Zero Waste Boxes may be purchased to provide solutions for waste that cannot be recycled through one of their free programs or through regular curbside recycling programs.

Recycling Payment Centers

CASH FOR CRV BEVERAGE CONTAINERS ONLY

CRV = California Redemption Value — Get cash back for aluminum cans, glass or plastic bottles. (Exceptions apply.)

CASH FOR VARIOUS RECYCLABLES

CRV ¹ & Other metals ²

Transfer Stations

Blue Line Transfer, Inc.

500 East Jamie Court
South San Francisco
650-589-4020
www.ssfscavenger.com

Shoreway Environmental Center

333 Shoreway Road
San Carlos
650-802-8355
www.sbrecycling.net

Other Locations

rePlanet

877-737-5263
www.replanet.com

rePlanet in Daly City

Safeway - 85 Westlake Mall
St. Francis Square Liquors -
1420 Southgate Ave.

rePlanet in Foster City

Costco - 1001 Metro Center Blvd.

rePlanet in Millbrae

Safeway - 525 El Camino Real

rePlanet in Redwood City

Chavez Market - 46 5th Avenue
Lucky - 200 Woodside Plaza
rePlanet - 1155 Veterans Blvd.

rePlanet in San Mateo

RiteAid - 600 Concar Drive

J & D Recycling¹ and ²

1015 N. Amphlette Blvd.
San Mateo
650-685-1901

Sims Metal²

699 Seaport Blvd.
Redwood City
650-369-4161
www.simsmm.com

ZARC¹ and ²

26 South Linden Avenue
South San Francisco
650-871-7327
www.zarcrecycling.com

Recycling Companies

GreenWaste Recovery, Inc.

1500 Berger Road, San Jose
650-568-9900
www.greenwaste.com

Serves Portola Valley, Woodside and the Unincorporated Unfranchised Area of San Mateo County (Los Trancos Woods, Vista Verde, Sky Londa, Kings Mountain and Woodside)

Kunz Valley Trash and Recycling

17355 Bear Creek Road, Boulder Creek
831-338-9050
www.kunzvalleytrash.com

Serves the Unincorporated Unfranchised Area of San Mateo County (La Honda, Sky Londa, Loma Mar, Pescadero, San Gregorio and Woodside)

Recology of the Coast

2305 Palmetto Avenue, Pacifica
650-355-9000
www.recology.com

Serves Pacifica, El Granada, Pillar Point, Princeton, Miramar, Montara and Moss Beach

Recology San Bruno

101 Tanforan Avenue, San Bruno
650-583-8536
www.recology.com
Serves San Bruno

Recology San Mateo County

225 Shoreway Road, San Carlos
650-595-3900
www.recology.com

Serves Atherton, Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo, the West Bay Sanitary District, Ladera and Unincorporated County Areas within the Rethink Waste Service Area (Baywood Park, Burlingame Hills, Devonshire Canyon, Emerald Lake Hills, Harbor Industrial, Kensington Square, North Fair Oaks, Oak Knoll, Peninsula Golf Club, Palomar Park, San Mateo Highlands, Sequoia Tract and Trailer Ranchero)

Republic Services of Half Moon Bay

1680 Edgeworth Avenue, Daly City
650-592-2411
www.republicservices.com

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Close the Loop and Buy Recycled Products

Recycling cans, bottles, paper and other materials is the first step in the recycling process. Take the next step by shopping for products made from recycled materials. When you buy recycled products, you close the loop by incentivising manufacturers to use recycled materials to create their goods. Something isn't recycled unless you buy the end product.

Buying products made from recycled materials is a simple way to help the environment and ensure the long-term success of curbside recycling programs.

There are a variety of products made from recyclables, such as many types of paper, cereal and tissue boxes, toilet paper, plastic lumber and much more. One ton or 40 cases of recycled paper saves: 17 trees, 7000 gallons of water and 4100 kwh of energy, enough to power the average home for 6 months, 60 pounds of air pollution and 2.5 cubic yards of landfill space.

When shopping, look for products containing the highest percentage of post-consumer recycled material you can find. Post-consumer recycled products are made from the materials you set out at the curbside.

Look for the recycling symbol and a statement that the product is made from post-consumer recycled material:



If post-consumer recycled content products are not available at the stores where you shop, ask the store manager to begin stocking these products. Shopping online for items with recycled content is another option. Write to manufacturers and ask that they begin producing products with recycled content. Encourage others in your neighborhood, office and community to buy recycled products.

Other Resources

Organization	Website
Bay Area Recycling Outreach Coalition	www.bayarearecycling.org
CalRecycle	www.calrecycle.ca.gov
U.S Environmental Protection Agency	www.epa.gov

County Recycling Hotlines and Websites

County	Recycling	Household Hazardous Waste	Website
Alameda	877-STOPWASTE	800-606-6606	www.stopwaste.org
Contra Costa	800-750-4096	800-750-4096	www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/ depart/cd/recycle
Marin	415-499-6647	415-485-6806	www.zerowastemarin.org
San Francisco	415-355-3700	415-330-1405	www.sfenvironment.org
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