

PROPOSED GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION RATES COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 8 (NORTH FAIR OAKS)

Effective January 1, 2023

Table 1. Garbage and Recyclables Curbside Collection Rates¹
(1 - 4 residential dwelling units per parcel²)

Quantity	Size of Garbage Container	Frequency of Pick-Up	Previous Rate (\$/month)	Proposed Rate ³ (\$/month)
2	32-gallon cart	1 x per week	\$36.07	\$36.79
1	64-gallon cart	1 x per week	\$36.07	\$36.79

Customers that are provided with a level of service greater than the minimum level of service shown above for garbage and recyclables services shall be charged the rates shown in Table 2.

- The rates in Table 1 include collection of all three curbside services: garbage cart(s), one (1) - 64-gallon recycling cart, and one (1) - 96-gallon compost cart. Additional residential recycling or compost carts will be subject to the service fees as listed in the Board of Supervisors Resolution Exhibit B (Unscheduled Service Fees).
- Table 1, Minimum Level of Service Rates for 1- 4 residential dwelling units that is billed on the property tax bill. For additional rates please visit the website at [https:// www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/](https://www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/)
- Residential Carts that are not located within 5 feet of the road right-of-way will incur additional service charges by Recology San Mateo County based upon the distance of the cart to the right-of-way in the road as listed in the Board of Supervisor Resolution Exhibit B (Unscheduled Service Fees).

**Table 2. Cart/Bin Garbage Collection Rates
for Mixed Residential and Multi-family Dwellings Over Four Units
(Regularly Scheduled Weekly Service)**

Quantity	Size of the Garbage Container	Frequency of Pick-Up	Previous Rates (\$/month)	Proposed Rate ^{1,2} (\$/month)
1	32-gallon cart	1 x per week	\$36.07	\$36.79
1	64-gallon cart	1 x per week	\$61.84	\$61.84
1	96-gallon cart	1 x per week	\$84.14	\$84.14
Quantity	Size of the Garbage Container	Frequency of Pick-Up	Previous Rates (\$/month)	Proposed Rate ^{1,2} (\$/month)
1	2-yard bin	1 x per week	\$322.21	\$322.21
1	3-yard bin	1 x per week	\$483.32	\$483.32
1	4-yard bin	1 x per week	\$644.43	\$644.43
1	6-yard bin	1 x per week	\$966.64	\$966.64
1	8-yard bin	1 x per week	\$1,288.84	\$1,288.84
1	9-yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$1,449.95	\$1,449.95
1	15-yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$2,416.58	\$2,416.58
1	20-yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$3,222.11	\$3,222.11
1	30-yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$4,833.16	\$4,833.16
1	40-yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$6,444.21	\$6,444.21

- Commercial (five (5) or more residential dwellings or commercial), Recology curbside commercial collection services is within 51 feet of the right-of-way of the road. Bins or Carts located 51 feet or more from the road right-of-way will incur additional service charges by Recology based on the distance of servicing the Carts or Bins to the right-of-way.
- Residential (one (1)-four (4) residential dwellings), bins or carts that are not located with five (5) feet of the right-of-way of the road will incur additional service charges by Recology San Mateo County based upon the distance of the bin or cart to the right-of-way as listed in the Board of Supervisor Resolution Exhibit B (Unscheduled Service Fees). For additional rates please visit the website at [https:// www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/](https://www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/)

For additional rate information please visit www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/



OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

SOLID WASTE RESOURCES FOR NORTH FAIR OAKS CUSTOMERS

RECOLOGY SAN MATEO COUNTY GARBAGE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION

www.recology.com/recology-san-mateo-county/
(650) 595-3900

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY

For more information on rates visit:
Curbside Collection - SMC Office of Sustainability
(smcsustainability.org) or call our hotline at
1-888-442-2666

SBWMA (JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY) FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

www.rethinkwaste.org
(650) 802-3500

SHERIFF'S OFFICE - NON EMERGENCIES

(650) 363-4911, extension 1

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH TOXICS AND HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM

www.smchealth.org/eh or call (650) 372-6200

PLANNING AND BUILDING COUNTY CODE COMPLIANCE SECTION

(650) 363-4825 or email: codecomplaint@smcgov.org

ILLEGAL DUMPING

To report illegal dumping please download the app (See Click Fix) or use the online system for reporting:

www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/illegal-dumping-litter

CONTACT US

For additional information regarding the proposed rates, visit: www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/, or contact the **Office of Sustainability** at 1-(888) 442-2666, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION SERVICE RATES
County Service Area No. 8
(North Fair Oaks area)
effective January 1, 2023

This notice is to advise property owners of the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors' (Board) proceedings to set rates for garbage and recyclables collection services in County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area). Adoption of the rates will result in property related charges, and this notice is, therefore, given in accordance with Proposition 218 and Article XIID of the California Constitution.

Please take a survey regarding your garbage and recycling services
www.surveymonkey.com/r/36V5NQB

GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION SERVICE IN NORTH FAIR OAKS

Garbage and recyclables collection services to properties in County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area) are provided through a Franchise Agreement between the County of San Mateo and Recology San Mateo County (Recology). The County generates the revenue to pay the collection service provider for the minimum level of service required by the County Ordinance Codes by charging each affected parcel (any parcel containing a dwelling unit) a minimum charge for garbage and recyclables collection on their property tax bill. Commercial parcels and any additional services above the minimum charge on the property tax bill are billed directly by Recology. The County Ordinance Code ("Title 4, Sanitation and Health, Chapter 4.04 Solid Waste Collection, Transport, Storage, and Disposal") defines the Minimum Levels of Service for County Service Area No. 8 parcels as:

- ▶ **Residential parcels** one (1)-64-gallon cart or two (2)-32-gallon carts per dwelling unit.
- ▶ **Apartment House parcels** (more than four dwelling units): one (1)-32-gallon cart per dwelling unit.
- ▶ **Mixed Residential/Commercial and Industrial parcels:** one (1)-32-gallon cart per residential dwelling unit and one (1)-32-gallon cart per business.
- ▶ **Commercial parcels:** one (1)-32-gallon cart per business.

SOUTH BAYSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

South Bayside Waste Management Authority (SBWMA), also known as Rethinkwaste.org, is comprised of 11 member agencies: Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, the City of San Mateo, the County of San Mateo, and the West Bay Sanitary District. Each member agency has its own franchise agreement with Recology for garbage and recycling collection services within their jurisdictions. The SBWMA provides coordinated waste management related staff services to member agencies and manages the operations of the Shoreway Environmental Center in San Carlos.

PROPOSED RATE INCREASE

The Recology franchise agreement allows for adjustments in Recology's compensation for providing services to the rate payers. To make adjustments for the Calendar Year (CY) 2023, Recology is required to submit a contractor's compensation application based on services provided in CY 2022, and projected costs for service in CY 2023. The SBWMA reviewed data from the Recology compensation application, data from South Bay Recycling (Shoreway Environmental Center operator), and information regarding member agency fees and other associated costs into a consolidated rate report "SBWMA Amended Final Report Reviewing the 2023 Recology Compensation Application, September 15, 2022" (SBWMA 2023 Rate Report).

The cost adjustments recommended in the SBWMA 2023 Rate Report is due primarily to a compensation increase based on Consumer Price indices (fuel and labor costs) and service levels adjustments for the increase in organic collection services.

The Office of Sustainability conducted an analysis of the rates based upon the SBWMA 2023 Rate Report, the projection of the costs, and the current revenue collected and the surplus. Based upon this analysis the Office of Sustainability is recommending applying a portion of the surplus identified in the SBWMA 2023 Rate Report and increase the rates two percent (2.0%) to begin to buy down a portion of the rate increase needed for residential Recology collection services. The recommended two percent (2.0%) rate increase would be applied to the mandatory services (two 32-gallon and one 64-gallon) cart sizes and mixed-use/commercial (32-gallon) cart size to better align rates to the costs of services. The County has not increased rates in the service area since February 2020.

The proposed rates would be effective on January 1, 2023. The charges based on the rates will appear on the property owner's tax bill for FY 2022-23 for all parcels with dwelling units, or per County Ordinance Codes 4.04.200 and 4.04.220, and any additional elective services will be billed directly by Recology. Commercial parcels without dwelling units will continue to be billed by Recology for all services at the current rates. Additionally, any Unscheduled Services (requested by the customer) will be billed directly to the customer by Recology and effective January 1, 2023.

The proposed rate for two 32-gallon garbage carts or one 64-gallon garbage cart for one to four residential dwelling units will be \$36.79 per month (72 cents per month increase). In the past, commercial organic rates were discounted by 25 percent (25%) from the garbage rates for organic collection service to increase subscriptions for services. Due to the SB 1383 mandatory organics collections, staff recommends reducing this discount to 15 percent (15%) of the garbage rate to continue to encourage subscriptions but to also align rates to cover additional costs to manage these new organic commercial programs. The recommended rates will continue to reflect a five percent (5%) franchise fee that will be paid to the County from Recology for administration of these programs.

The franchise agreement also includes fees for Unscheduled Services. The Unscheduled Services are generally those additional elective services that are specifically requested and paid for by the ratepayers in addition to the basic collection service charges. These Unscheduled Services fees are not property related fees. The franchise agreement allows for a Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase to the Unscheduled Services Fees. The Unscheduled Service Fees for CY 2023 reflect a 4.18 percent (4.18%) CPI adjustment to the CY 2022 fees charged by Recology.

WHAT DO THE PROPOSED GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES RATES PAY FOR?



- ▶ **Residential weekly curbside collection for garbage, recycling and organics**
- ▶ **Commercial weekly collection for garbage and recycling**
- ▶ **Free used motor oil and oil filter collection for Residents**
- ▶ **Two free "On-Call" bulky item pick-ups**
This service is a scheduled service (Feb-Dec).
- ▶ **Curbside cell phone and battery collection**
Reminder: Batteries should not be placed inside your cart. Place on top of black cart into a clear plastic bag.
- ▶ **Holiday tree recycling during the month of January**
- ▶ **Free mattress recycling at Shoreway for residents**
- ▶ **Free electronics and small appliance recycling at Shoreway**
- ▶ **Free confidential document shredding events**
- ▶ **Energy-efficient, cleaner emission garbage and recycling collection trucks**
- ▶ **Operation of the Shoreway Environmental Center for waste and recycling**

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Supervisors has scheduled a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. as a hybrid meeting (in person or online) to consider adopting a resolution for the proposed garbage and recyclables collection service rates for County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area). The proposed rates are listed in this notice and on the website for the Board's Agenda for their meeting.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e), the board meeting will be a hybrid meeting, open to the public for both in person participation and via Zoom online meeting format. Anyone interested may appear in person or via Zoom and be heard on this matter or may submit a written statement to the Clerk of the Board. To view the Zoom meeting please visit <https://sanmateocounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>, choose the calendar item by date (January 17, 2023). The link for the zoom or in person meeting will be published on Friday January 13, 2023. You can also send a written statement to the Clerk of the Board, via email to boardfeedback@smcgov.org or via mail to: Clerk of the Board, 1st Floor, 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA 94063.

Any property owner in County Service Area No. 8 may file a written protest against the proposed rate increases. Although the Board will consider all input, State law provides that only written protests from property owners may be counted to determine whether a majority protest to the proposed increase exists. The Clerk of the Board must receive a written protest not later than the closing of the Public Hearing specified above to be counted. If a majority protest exists, the Board cannot impose the increased rates. If, at the conclusion of the Public Hearing, a majority protest of property owners does not exist, the Board will consider adoption of the proposed rates. The written protest must include: **the property owner's name, property service address, assessor's parcel number (tax assessors parcel number), and the property owner's signature.** Written protests may be hand delivered or mailed to the Clerk of the Board at 400 County Center, Redwood City, California 94063. No more than one protest per parcel may be submitted.

