

RECYCLING resource

MOUNTAIN VIEW ROLLS OUT NEW COMPOST CARTS

Starting in August, households with curbside cart services will receive new green compost carts to replace the old yard trimmings carts.

BYE-BYE OLP CART





For more information, visit **MountainView.gov/Carts**. If you have questions, contact Recology at **650-967-3034** or **ContactUsRMV@Recology.com**.

HELLO NEW ONE!

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How to exchange your cart

- Recology will deliver your new green compost cart(s) first (the same size as what you currently have). Most households will get it the day before your service day.
- On your service day, set-out your old yard trimmings cart(s) for removal.
- Recology will remove your old cart(s) that same day. Old carts will be recycled or reused.

Why are the carts being replaced?

- To comply with State-mandated green color for compost and lid educational signage.
- Most carts have exceeded their useful life—over 15 years old.
- It's more cost-effective to replace carts in bulk.
- To have clear, consistent messaging avoid mix of old/new containers and signage.
- Old carts are 100% recyclable and will not go to the landfill.

FOOD SCRAPS PROGRAM



DID YOU KNOW that when we put food scraps in the landfill they decompose and release methane, a greenhouse gas 84 times more potent than carbon dioxide? The good news is that since 2017, Mountain View households have been able to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by putting food scraps and food-soiled paper in their yard trimmings carts for composting. These materials become a nutrient rich soil amendment that help plants grow.

YOU Can Make a Difference

- Separate food scraps and food-soiled paper in your kitchen, when prepping food, cleaning leftovers out of the fridge, etc. Put these compostables in your compost cart outside.
- Set out your compost cart each week you have food scraps, even if there are no yard trimmings in the cart, to avoid pests and odor.
- Paper products soiled with food and grease such as pizza boxes and food bags make a great barrier when placed at the bottom of your compost cart to help absorb excess moisture and keep the inside of your cart cleaner.
- Another tip to keep things cleaner and avoid odor is to put meat and seafood scraps in the refrigerator or freezer then empty into your compost cart the night before your service day.
- If you need a handy container to collect compostables in your home, visit the website below to request a free kitchen pail.

Visit MountainView.gov/FoodScraps for more detailed information about what is accepted in the compost program.

RECYCLING PROGRAMS & EVENTS



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF EVENT IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

Saturday, August 26 • By appointment only

Safely dispose of household hazardous wastes, including paint, batteries, electronics, pesticides, cleaning and pool chemicals, propane tanks, fluorescent lights and more. The event location in Mountain View is released once your appointment is booked. Reserve online at **HHW.org** or call **408-299-7300**.

If you can't attend on August 26, the County has permanent household hazardous waste drop-off facilities available year-round to residents by appointment or you can attend a drop-off event in a nearby city in Santa Clara County. For more information, visit **HHW.org**.

GET FREE COMPOST AND MULCH

SMaRT Station, 301 Carl Road in Sunnyvale

While supplies last, stop by the SMaRT Station to pick-up your free compost and mulch! Proof of residency is required. Please bring your own shovel and containers. 96-gallon limit per week each for mulch and compost. Visit **MountainView.gov/Composting** for more information.



SAVE THESE DATES:

COMPOST BASICS WORKSHOP

Saturday, October 7 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Community Center, 201 S Rengstorff Avenue Elm Room

Attend a free workshop and learn the basics of backyard and worm composting. Backyard compost bins available for purchase.

Other workshop dates and locations available. Registration required at ucanr.edu/compost or 408-918-4640.



PAPER SHREDDING EVENT

Saturday, November 4 8 a.m.–3 p.m. SMaRT Station 301 Carl Road, Sunnyvale

Limit five banker boxes or bags. Line cut-off at 3 p.m. sharp

Questions? 408-752-8530





CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT RECYCLING + ZERO WASTE 500 CASTRO STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041 PRSRT STD ECRWSS U.S. Postage PAID Mountain View, CA Permit No. 179

POSTAL CUSTOMER

Trash and Recycling Collection Services

Recology Mountain View 650-967-3034 ContactUsRMV@Recology.com RecologyMountainView.com

- Missed pickups
- Service questions
- Clean up and bulky good collection services
- Business recycling
- Debris/Recycling boxes
- Recycling Center
- Larger or extra carts
- Cart Repairs

Utility and Trash Billing

City Finance Department 650-903-6317

RevenueStaff@MountainView.gov

- Start, stop or change accounts
- Billing inquiries
- Extra garbage tags

Recycling and Zero Waste Program

Public Works Department 650-903-6311 MountainView.gov/Recycle Recycle@MountainView.gov

- Resource newsletter
- Recycling questions
- · Event details

2023 HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Collection occurs on all holidays except Thanksgiving (Nov. 23), Christmas (Dec. 25) and New Year's Day (Jan. 1, 2024).

If your collection day falls on or after the holiday, collection will occur one day later that week. For example, for a Thursday holiday, Thursday collection will take place on Friday and Friday collection will take place on Saturday.



		NOVEMBER 2023						
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
)	19	20 Regular Collection	21 Regular Collection	22 Regular Collection	23 No Collection Office Closed	24 Thursday Customers Collected Office Closed	25 Friday Customers Collected Office Closed	



DECEMBER 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17	18 Regular Collection	19 Regular Collection	20 Regular Collection	21 Regular Collection	22 Regular Collection	23
24	25 No Collection Office Closed	26 Monday Customers Collected	27 Tuesday Customers Collected	28 Wednesday Customers Collected	29 Thursday Customers Collected	30 Friday Customers Collected
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JANUARY 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	No	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Collection	Customers	Customers	Customers	Customers	Customers
	Office Closed	Collected	Collected	Collected	Collected	Collected