

# Prevent Food Waste

Californians throw away nearly 6 million tons of food waste each year.

**FIND FOOD WASTE PREVENTION TIPS AT:  
[www.StopFoodWaste.org](http://www.StopFoodWaste.org)  
[www.SavetheFood.com](http://www.SavetheFood.com)**



- Use perishable produce quickly.
- Track inventory to prevent over-ordering and spoilage.
- Store all food properly. (Typically below 40 degrees Fahrenheit for refrigerators and 0 degrees Fahrenheit for freezers, consult your local health code requirements.)
- Keep your storage equipment in good working order.
- Prepare for power loss by having a back up power plan.

## GIVE EDIBLE LEFTOVERS TO EMPLOYEES OR DONATE EDIBLE FOOD TO A CHARITY OR FOOD BANK.

- Tri-Valley Haven Food Bank  
[trivalleyhaven.org](http://trivalleyhaven.org) • (925)449-1664
- Alameda County Community Food Bank  
[accfb.org](http://accfb.org) • (510)775-2527
- [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/Food/Donation/](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/Food/Donation/)

## Did You Know?

You won't be sued for donating leftover food. The Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act protects from civil and criminal liability should a recipient get ill or hurt as a result of consumed donated food. Donors are only culpable in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.



SOURCE: [www.EPA.gov](http://www.EPA.gov)



## If it Rots, Green is the Spot!

**FOOD SCRAPS, FOOD-SOILED PAPER, AND YARD TRIMMINGS BELONG IN THE GREEN ORGANICS CARTS OR BINS.**

- Keep it clean and avoid a contamination fee. **NØ Styrofoam®, Plastic, Glass, or Metal.**
- For a full list of what belongs in your green **Organics** cart or bin, visit: [www.livermoresanitation.com/commercial/publications-resources/](http://www.livermoresanitation.com/commercial/publications-resources/).
- Need to start or improve your **Organics** collection service? Call us at: **925-449-7300** or contact us via our website.



## Make the Most of Your Recycling Program

### AVOID CONTAMINATION!

Styrofoam®, plastic film/wrap, plastic packaging, and plastic NOT labeled 1-7, belongs in your Garbage container.

**KEEP IT CLEAN!** Empty and rinse or wipe recyclable containers.

**MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR SPACE!** Flatten boxes before placing in the **Recyclables** cart or bin.

**PROVIDE THE TOOLS FOR SUCCESS!** Educate employees on proper sorting and provide the right containers. Call Livermore Sanitation at **925-583-3517** for assistance.



## Holiday Service Schedule

There will **NO CHANGES** to the service schedule during the week of Memorial Day.

## Proper Sorting Makes a Difference!

### USE YOUR CONTAINERS TO SORT YOUR WASTE FOR:

- **Compliance with California regulations:** AB341, AB1826, and SB1383.

- **A reduction in disposal.** Of the 39 million tons of waste disposed of in California landfills in 2018, one third was compostable organic materials.

- **A reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.** Organic materials in landfills produce methane, a greenhouse gas that contributes to pollution and global warming. Composting sequesters carbon and reduces greenhouse gas emissions.



SOURCE: [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/climate/organics](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/climate/organics)

### DISPOSE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE RESPONSIBLY

## Hazardous Waste Drop-in Program for Businesses

Hazardous waste does NOT belong in your **Recyclables**, **Organics**, or **Garbage** containers. Alameda County operates a Hazardous Waste Business Drop-in Program. Accepted materials include: latex paint, aerosol cans, fluorescent lamps, and batteries. A form is required and charges apply. Detailed program information and appointments can be found at: [StopWaste.Org/hhw](http://StopWaste.Org/hhw).



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Monday - Friday

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Contact us via our website:  
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