



# City of La Cañada Flintridge Recycling & Waste Newsletter

RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS • SPRING 2021

## Spring Cleanup — May 17–21, 2021

Each spring, the City of La Cañada Flintridge hosts a community cleanup. This service is provided so that residents can get rid of larger household items which don't fit into the curbside containers. Allied Waste Services, a Republic Services® company, will pick up unwanted items at the curb. During the cleanup only, you do not need to call to request a bulky item pickup.

To participate, place large items at the curb on your regularly scheduled pickup day during the week of May 17–21.

Acceptable items include:

- Furniture • Mattresses • Appliances • Electronic Equipment • Clothing • Carpets or rugs (tied in rolls) • Yard waste (such as tree branches and scrap wood – no construction debris) •

Up to two tires from automobiles or pickup trucks per setout

Please box, bundle or bag your loose items so they can be handled easily. Set appliances in a separate stack. Remove the doors from freezers and refrigerators. Scrap metal should go with appliances.

Questions? Call Republic Services at 800.299.4898.



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## Properly Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste

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Household hazardous waste (HHW) is any sort of product in your home that could be poisonous or dangerous if thrown in the trash. HHW includes car and lawn care products, paints and paint thinners, cleaning supplies and more. Never toss HHW into the trash or put it into your curbside carts. It may cause fires in trucks or at handling and disposal facilities, or it could contaminate our groundwater and soil.

Dispose of HHW safely through the L.A. County Household Hazardous Waste program. There are permanent collection facilities in Sun Valley and Glendale that accept HHW, as well as electronics, on Saturdays and Sundays. For the location nearest you and additional information, call 888.CLEAN.LA or visit [CleanLA.com](http://CleanLA.com).

Some procedures may have changed due to COVID-19, so please follow all posted signs when dropping off materials.



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## Holiday Collection Schedule

During the week of Memorial Day, recycling and waste collection service will be delayed by one day.

# Family-Friendly Ways to Celebrate Earth Day Every Day

At Republic Services, we believe every day is Earth Day. By taking a few simple steps at home, you can celebrate #EarthDayEveryDay, too. Together, many small actions can make a big impact on the environment.

Here are three things families can do — today, and every day:

- 1. Upcycle your recyclables with a craft project:** Recycling is great for plastic bottles and jugs, but you also can get creative and turn an empty 2-liter bottle into a planter. It's a fun project for all ages, and it will add some greenery to your space. For more craft ideas, go online and search for "crafts with recycled materials."
- 2. Clean your room, basement or garage:** It can't be a coincidence that Earth Day falls right in the midst of spring cleaning season. As you're clearing out clutter, be sure you're disposing of everything properly. Donate items that are still in good condition, such as clothing, toys, tools, furniture, household items and appliances. Do not place these items into your recycling container. You can check [Earth911.com](http://Earth911.com) for donation options near you.
- 3. Pledge to be better recyclers:** Recycling is one of the simplest things people can do for the environment, but it's only helpful if we're recycling the right way. Across the country, as much as one-third of what people place into recycling containers doesn't belong there or isn't properly prepared. Contamination includes otherwise good recyclables that are soiled by food or other residue, as well as items that aren't recyclable in the first place. Everyone in the family can follow these simple steps to be a better recycler:
  - Know what to throw. Keep it simple and focus on the basics: cardboard and paper, metal cans, glass bottles and jars, and plastic bottles and jugs.
  - Empty. Clean. Dry.™ Keep all recyclables free of food and liquid.
  - Don't bag it. Never bag or bundle recyclables. Put loose recyclables into the cart.



For more ideas, visit [RecyclingSimplified.com](http://RecyclingSimplified.com).



## Protecting Yourself, Your Neighbors and Our Planet During the Pandemic

Wearing masks, using hand sanitizer and washing your hands all help protect you, your family members, your neighbors and others from the spread of COVID-19. When you are discarding disposable masks, gloves and sanitizing wipes, please do so properly. Please don't litter, don't flush and don't put these items into the recycling cart. Instead, bag these items and place them into the trash cart.

You can reduce your waste and stay protected by opting for washable, reusable masks, as well as using washable cloths and rags to clean and disinfect your home and its surfaces.

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