### **City of La Cañada Flintridge** Recycling & Waste Newsletter



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## **Mandatory Commercial Recycling Programs**

Under Assembly Bill (AB) 341, businesses that generate 4 or more cubic yards of waste per week and multi-family properties with five or more units must recycle paper, boxes, cans, bottles and containers, as well as items that are unique to their operations. California Senate Bill (SB) 1383 expands on these requirements, extending mandatory clean paper and cardboard recycling to all businesses and multi-family residences. If your business does not have a recycling cart or dumpster, please contact Republic Services at **800.299.4898**.



Under both AB 1826 and SB 1383, California businesses are required to reduce the volume of organics sent to landfills. Organics recycling is now mandatory for all businesses and multi-family properties, regardless of size or quantity of waste produced. Organic waste includes food scraps, food-soiled paper, non-hazardous wood waste and yard debris. If your business does not have carts or dumpsters for organic materials, please contact Republic Services at **800.299.4898**.



Republic Services is here to help you comply with these laws in the most efficient manner for your business or property. Call us at **800.299.4898** or visit **RepublicServices.com/municipality/la-canada-flintridge-ca**.



#### **Employee and Customer Access to Recycling**

Assembly Bill 827 requires that restaurants and other food-related businesses provide convenient and labeled organics, recycling and waste collection bins for kitchen staff. In addition, self-service restaurants, where customers collect their food and bus their own tables, must provide customers with side-by-side containers for organics, recycling and waste. You can download container and cabinet labels from **RecyclingSimplified.com/business-resources**.

#### Large Food Businesses Required to Donate Surplus Food

Under Senate Bill (SB) 1383, businesses that generate edible food must recover the maximum amount of surplus food that would otherwise be disposed of and make this food available to food recovery organizations. At present, larger food businesses, such as food distributors, wholesale food vendors, food service providers and grocery stores and supermarkets (10,000 square feet or greater) must comply. Typically, these businesses have produce and fresh grocery and shelfstable foods to donate. Other businesses with more prepared foods, such as large restaurants, cafeterias and venues, will need to comply by January 1, 2024.

Eligible food recovery organizations include food banks, food pantries, soup kitchens, for-profit food recovery services and other non-profits that distribute food to people in need. Food may be donated or businesses may pay for recovery services. In either case, affected businesses must have written agreements with food recovery organizations or services and maintain food donation records.

To learn more, visit **SGVcog.org/regional-food-recovery**program.



# **Use Our App to Manage Your Account**

Republic Services gives you one simple tool to manage all your recycling, organics collection, waste disposal and account management needs. With 24/7 access on any device, you can:

- Pay your bill
- Schedule a pickup
- Find new products and services
- Receive alerts
- Request graffiti removal from dumpsters
- And more

Visit **RepublicServices.com/Account** to sign up or download the app.

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