

# It's the Law!

**Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law (AB 341):** Requires businesses that generate at least 4 cubic yards of waste per week, as well as multi-family complexes with 5 units or more, regardless of the amount of waste generated, to recycle. Items that must be recycled include paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, cans and glass. All these items can be combined together into one recycling cart.

**Multi-Family Properties:** If no space is available for a recycle bin in your enclosure, recycle carts are available for residents. These carts are lightweight and have wheels so they can be moved to different locations throughout the property.

**Mandatory Organics Recycling Law (AB 1826):** Requires businesses that generate more than 2 cubic yards of waste per week, and multi-family properties with 5 or more units, to recycle organic waste. Organic waste includes food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, nonhazardous wood waste and food-soiled paper waste that is mixed in with food waste. While businesses must divert all of these materials, multi-family properties do not need to have a food waste program at this time; however, they must recycle green waste.

**Coming Soon (SB 1383):** Beginning January 2022, all commercial businesses and residents must divert food waste, often referred to as organics, and food-soiled paper into its own bin — separate from solid waste and landscape cuttings. Acceptable materials will include meat, bones, dairy, bread, fruits, vegetables, peels, pits, cobs, coffee grounds and food-soiled paper (paper towels, napkins, paper cups, paper egg cartons and pizza boxes).

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