

UNION CITY RESIDENTIAL RECYCLE, COMPOST & LANDFILL NEWS

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We're Making Compost, Let's Make It Healthy

Keep all Plastic Out of the Green Compost Cart

Did you know that the food scraps, food-soiled paper, and yard trimmings you put in the green cart are turned into compost, which enriches the soil and improves the health of gardens, parks, and farms? Composting also reduces greenhouse gases, which makes using your green cart a great way to fight climate change!

But composting is only a success if the compost is healthy and free of prohibited items, especially plastic. Plastic is extremely harmful to the composting process, because it is a synthetic material that does not break down. It is also very difficult to remove plastic during the composting process. Please avoid putting plastic in your green cart.

For healthy compost, we need every resident to keep all plastic out of the green cart.

Remember: Food in, Plastics Out

Separate food from all packaging, produce bags, and plastic containers.

Use only approved liners or empty collected food scraps directly into the green cart. You can also try using newspaper, paper bags or egg cartons to help keep your kitchen food scraps pail clean.



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Reduce Waste, Recycle and Compost Right During the Holidays

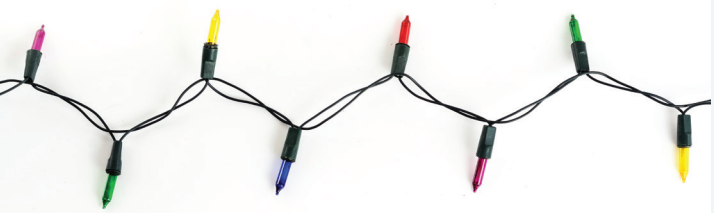
Recycle What You Can. Flattened boxes, wrapping paper, paper-only cards (no glitter or foil), paper gift bags (no handles or ribbons) and tissue paper can all be recycled.

Compost Food Scraps. Compost all food scraps and food-soiled paper products in your green compost bin/cart. Find food waste prevention tips and resources at **StopFoodWaste.org**.

Gift Sustainably.

- Choose non-laminated, glitter-free wrapping paper or paper bags that can be recycled (or reused).
- Shop at vintage/thrift stores or from local stores that focus on sustainable, lasting goods.
- Give experiences, like concert tickets or gift certificates for local restaurants, and avoid buying products online to reduce packaging waste.
- Find more holiday waste reduction tips at **StopWaste.org/Sustainable-Holiday-Guide**.

Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste Properly. Unwanted holiday tree lights and electronics should be safely recycled through a certified Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility. Visit **StopWaste.org/HHW** for information on Alameda County's free residential HHW Drop-off Program.



Holiday Tree Recycling



After you've opened all the presents and taken down the lights and ornaments, give your tree a new purpose. Turn it into compost! **Tri-CED Community Recycling will collect holiday trees at no additional charge between December 28, 2026 and January 15, 2027**.

Simply set holiday trees at the curb or place it inside the green compost cart on your regular collection service day.* Trees will be taken to a compost facility to be turned into beneficial mulch and compost!

* Tri-CED will only collect trees from residents with Tri-CED compost service.

Please prepare your tree for collection by following these simple guidelines:

- Remove tree stands and all ornaments, tinsel, lights, etc.
- Trees taller than six (6) feet should be cut in half.
- Place the tree at the curb next to your green compost cart before 6:00 a.m. on your regular collection service day.
- Natural trees only. Flocked and artificial trees will not be accepted as part of the compost program.
- If you miss the citywide tree collection that ends on January 15, 2027, you can put your tree in the green compost cart. Please cut the tree into pieces that will fit completely into the cart with the lid closed.

Holiday Tree Drop-off Location

An alternative option for residents is to drop off their holiday tree for FREE at Tri-CED Community Recycling, where trees will be accepted until January 15, 2027.

Tri-CED Community Recycling
33377 Western Avenue
510-429-8030 | **Tri-CED.org**

Tuesday–Saturday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed Mondays and Sundays



By recycling your holiday tree, you can help our environment and keep this valuable resource out of the landfill.

Holiday Collection Service Schedule

Christmas Day
Friday, December 25
Administrative offices closed. No collection services.

FRIDAY 25 ▸ SATURDAY 26

Fri., Dec. 25 collection service will be provided on Sat., Dec. 26.

New Year's Day
Friday, January 1
Administrative offices closed. No collection services.

FRIDAY 01 ▸ SATURDAY 02

Fri., Jan. 01 collection service will be provided on Sat., Jan. 02.

Mark your calendars! Administrative offices will be closed and no collection service will be provided on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Collection service will be provided one day later during these two holiday weeks. For example, Thursday service will be provided on Friday, Friday service will be provided on Saturday.