

# Republic Services San José Spring 2025 Update



## Be Prepared This Rainy Season

Protect our waterways and prevent pollution this rainy season by keeping your container lids closed and roll-off containers covered. Water mixed with materials inside waste bins can cause pollutants that are potentially harmful to the environment. These harmful pollutants may get washed into local storm drains and waterways, ending up in the San Francisco Bay. Regularly inspect your bins for damage and/or leaks to prevent this pollution. If you need a container repaired or replaced, call **(408) 432-1234** or email **[SanJoseRecyclingTeam@republicservices.com](mailto:SanJoseRecyclingTeam@republicservices.com)**.

It is also important to keep lids closed to protect recyclables. Many materials, such as paper and cardboard, cannot be recycled once wet, so it is important to keep them as dry as possible. Keeping the lids closed and roll-off containers covered or tarped, not only keeps recyclables dry, but it also prevents loose material from blowing away in the wind helping to keep your surroundings clean and prevent litter.



## Get FREE Indoor Wet Receptacles for Your Business

The Wet Receptacle Assistance Program (“WRAP”) helps San José businesses comply with Senate Bill 1383 by providing free indoor receptacles to collect and properly sort organic waste, also known as Wet waste. Approved businesses can select up to \$500 worth of indoor receptacles and equipment at no cost. For more information on how to apply to WRAP while funding lasts, visit [SJEnvironment.org/ReceptacleAssistance](https://www.sjenvironment.org/ReceptacleAssistance) or scan below.



**Sorting Tip:** Liquids in your Wet container can speed up the decomposition of food and leak through bags making it more difficult to keep your container clean. When sorting food waste, be sure to drain excess liquids before placing them in the Wet container.



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