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Subject: New State Law SB 1383 mandates Organic Waste Recycling

Dear Valued Villa Park Resident,

The City of Villa Park along with every city in the State of California, is required by State law to implement an organic waste recycling program for all residents and businesses. California Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383), requires reductions of organic waste in landfills as part of a greater plan to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants such as methane. SB 1383 establishes targets to achieve a 75% reduction in organics from entering a landfill by 2025.

Beginning January 1, 2023, all Villa Park residents should place their organic waste into the existing yard waste (brown) container. Organics include food wastes such as vegetables, fruits, cooked meat scraps, dairy, bread, pasta, rice, grains, eggshells, coffee grounds, tea bags, plate scraps, and food-soiled paper (i.e. used paper napkins, paper towels, pizza boxes, etc.) Organics also includes yard waste such as tree trimmings, grass clippings and leaves. Organics placed in the brown container must be disposed of loosely or contained within a paper bag-only. No plastic, compostable or biodegradable collection bags are allowed in the container. Your efforts to place organics/food scraps in your yard waste container is intended to divert these materials from the landfill, and instead be transported to a composting or anaerobic digestion facility providing for renewable energies/products. Thus, helping to eliminate harmful air emissions from our environment.

Please note that residents will not be receiving new carts for compliance with this state law, but will be utilizing the brown-colored carts that you already have. If you do not have all three carts (tan cart for trash, green cart for recycling, and brown cart for organics), please call Republic Services customer service at 714-238-3300 to set up delivery of the carts you need. Please note that SB 1383 will eventually require Villa Park (and all California cities) to utilize state specified colored carts (gray body/gray lid for trash, gray body/blue lid for recycle and gray body/green lid for organics). These alternative colored carts will be distributed as any new cart exchanges are requested. All newly requested/deployed carts will also come equipped with a graphic-based label identifying acceptable and unacceptable materials permitted within each cart type.

With this unfunded State mandate comes a price to implement and enforce as required by SB 1383. Therefore, residents will see an increase reflected on your bill effective January 1, 2023.

To learn more about the new residential organics program, please visit:



Republic Services website:

https://www.republicservices.com/municipality/villa-park-ca



City of Villa Park: <a href="https://villapark.org/">https://villapark.org/</a>



CalRecycle SB 1383 Regulations:

https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/SLCP/collection

Thank you in advance for your readiness to comply with this new State mandate. If you have questions, please contact Republic Services at (800) 700-8610 or the City of Villa Park at (714) 998-1500. We look forward to serving you!

Sincerely,

The City of Villa Park and Republic Services