

Organics Composting

These items must be placed in your green organics cart or dumpster.

Food Waste – *Food scraps can come from both back of house preparation and front of house plate waste.*



Fruit and Vegetable Scraps



Food Scraps



Seafood, Meat
and Bones



Dairy
Products



Eggs and Shells



Tortillas, Rice and Beans



Breads and Cereals



Coffee Grounds

Food-Soiled Paper



Coffee Filters
and Tea Bags



Paper Plates



Paper-Based
Take-Out Containers



Pizza Boxes



Paper Towels
and Napkins



Parchment
Paper



BPI-Certified
Compostable Items



Commercial businesses may use BPI-certified compostable bags or clear plastic liners for organics materials.

Please visit RepublicServices.com/CarlsbadCA,
email CarlsbadService@RepublicServices.com
or call **760.332.6464** for more information.

Business Food Waste Belongs in the Compost Container!

Laws and regulations

Effective January 1, 2022, all California residences and businesses are required to separate organic waste (including food waste) from other trash and non-organic recyclables by participating in an organic waste collection program.

California State Senate Bill (SB) 1383 and Carlsbad Municipal Code 6.20 require all Carlsbad businesses to compost organic waste. Reducing methane gas emissions, which results from the decomposition of organic waste in landfills, will help address the adverse impacts of climate change in the state.

How it works

Organic waste collected by Republic Services is composted at the Otay compost facility to create a nutrient-rich soil additive and mulch for public, private and city use. Compost and mulch made in part by your business' organic waste is available to city residents to pick up daily at Palomar Transfer Station and at biannual giveaway events.

Benefits of reducing organic waste:

- Combat climate change
- Create renewable natural gas
- Add nutrients to our soil
- Reduce the amount of organic waste that goes to the landfill

Sustainability supplies

Republic Services and the City of Carlsbad have materials available to help ensure your recycling and waste reduction plan is effective:

- **Bins for Businesses Program:** The Carlsbad Bins for Businesses Program offers free waste bins of varying sizes and signage to Carlsbad businesses, while supplies last. Contact the City of Carlsbad's Sustainable Materials Management Division for the Bins for Business Program application at SustainableMaterialsManagement@CarlsbadCA.gov.
- Contact Republic Services at CarlsbadRecycling@RepublicServices.com for all other materials, such as posters, service guides, educational handouts and more.

Keep your green container clean with the following tips:

- Drain liquid from very wet food scraps before placing them in the green container.
- Sprinkle a layer of baking soda on top of organic waste if you notice odors.
- Keep the lid closed.
- If possible, keep your container in a shaded area.



Sustainability In Action