

Vallejo Waste Zero Ways

2024 FALL NEWSLETTER





MARE ISLAND BREWING CRAFTS

GREEN BUSINESS PRACTICES

After ten years of pouring original craft beers, Mare Island Brewing Co. has become a local hub and tourist draw. Founder Kent Fortner intends for the company to be around for at least another 30 years and wants his business to continue to be a good steward for the community and the environment.

To that end, Mare Island Brewing Co. has worked closely with Recology to divert as much recyclable and organic materials as possible from its landfill bins. Signs reinforcing correct sorting strategies are posted for employees and customers. Food-service items are intentionally purchased to be recyclable or compostable.

Even though it may cost more initially to institute sustainable practices, Fortner says it's often less than what's expected and "the end result is totally worth it." He advises others to make the commitment.

"It takes some time and energy," he said. "You're going to learn a lot, and it will make your business better through analyzing not only what you're purchasing but what's going out Business Highlight the door."

He said making conscientious decisions to be greener, even on

a smaller level, is a good business practice and "a lot better than having blinders on and having everything just going to landfill."

Cheers to Mare Island Brewing!

If your business needs info or training about recycling and composting, call Recology Vallejo at 707.552.3110 to arrange a free on-site visit.

HOLIDAY SERVICE CHANGES

There will be no collection service on Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Year's Day.

If your regular collection day falls on one of these holidays, your service will be delayed one day.

Thanksgiving is Nov. 28. Thursday customers will receive service on Friday. Friday customers will receive collection service on Saturday.

Christmas and New Year's are on Wednesdays. Wednesday customers will be serviced on Thursday, Thursday customers on Friday, and Friday customers on Saturday.

Normal service resumes the Monday after the holiday.

SECURED CONTAINERS



Some businesses may choose to keep their containers securely closed by locking the lids.

Container locks are available from Recology for a monthly charge of \$15.51 per container, per number of weekly services.

For example, if you have a recycling container with

weekly service, a lock will cost \$15.51 per month. If your recycling container is serviced twice a week, the lock will cost \$31.02 per month, and so on.

Customers may provide their own locks. Keys or codes must be provided to Recology. Charges are the same.

CUSTOMER PORTAL NEWS

The new Customer Portal allows you to access your bill, make payments, and more. All customers, even those previously enrolled in paperless billing or automatic payments, must re-enroll in the new portal.

You can create an account or you can make a one-time guest payment. To sign up, you will be asked for your invoice number and your customer number (**or** account number) found on the paper statement sent to every customer for the billing cycle with our new system.

Your account number has been updated, so be sure to locate the new one as your old account number will not be recognized.

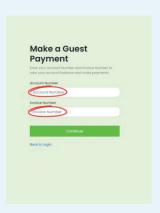
Link to the Portal here:



Your first bill in this new system did not show the discount applied for early payment. This discount will appear as an applied credit or "adjustment" in each successive bill.

If you still have questions, please contact our customer service team at **707.552.3110**, **vallejocustomerservice@recology.com**, or visit our office.





Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Account Number	Invoice Amount
9/1/2024	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	\$1,095.407
Service Address			Due Date
1 TOWN SQUARE PL, VACAVILLE CA 95688			10/1/2024



GREEN BIN BASICS

put food scraps directly into the green bin. No plastic bags.

PRO TIP: Line your green bin with dry grass clippings or other yard waste or used and uncoated paper products to keep odors in check.

towels, napkins, egg cartons, newspaper, cardboard (even pizza boxes!), and paper plates without plastic coating.



PRO TIP: If a paper product has a shiny surface, it is probably coated in plastic and should go into the trash.

po store food scraps in the freezer so they stay out of the elements while waiting for pickup day. Move them to your green bin before you take it to the curb for collection.







PRO TIP: If you put food scraps in a plain brown paper bag for freezing, the whole package can go directly in the bin.