

Instead, please help Cupertino keep useful materials out of the landfill! Here's how:



Clean, empty, and dry paper, plastic, glass, and metal. Cupertino has single stream recycling, so all recycling goes in one bin!



















ALL organic material, including food, cooked or raw (veggies, fruit, meat, bones, dairy, coffee grounds, etc.), paper products (napkins, tissues, paper towels), landscape trimmings (including clean, untreated wood)

















Styrofoam, rubber gloves, rubber bands, chip bags, condiment packets, plastic straws/utensils, juice pouches

















IMPORTANT: Please use only CLEAR bags for garbage, compost, and recycling. Do NOT use dark bags. (City Municipal Code 6.24.030)







Waste Management for Businesses

SB 1383: CA's Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction

Food waste in the landfill creates methane, a harmful gas that negatively impacts humans and the environment. Thank you for doing your part to keep waste out of the landfill!

Requirements

- Hauling Service: All businesses must have organics collection and properly sort and dispose of waste materials.
- Education Often: Educate all tenants, employees, contractors, and custodial staff on how to properly sort waste. Training must be done for new employees and annually for all employees.
- 3. Make it Accessible: Organics, recycling, and landfill containers must be accessible in areas where those types of waste are generated. This includes food prep areas, behind the counter, and in the kitchen. If customers are clearing their own tables, containers must be accessible in dinning area as well.
- 4. Make it Easy to Sort: Set up color-coded, labeled, 3-bin sort stations (recycle, compost, landfill). Be sure to have clear, color-coded signage at your waste stations.

Exceptions: While regulations do not allow businesses to opt-out of recycling and organics recycling requirements, businesses can apply for exemptions if they only generate very small amounts of organics or have extreme space constraints.

Free Resources

City of Cupertino and Recology staff will visit, train, and provide materials to assist you in this organic waste management.

Learn more at Cupertino.org/SB1383









For questions and resources, contact the City of Cupertino's Environmental Division at (408) 777-3236 or environmental@cupertino.org.







