



## RECYCLE RIGHT IN 2025

### Recycling Rules of Thumb

It's Free & Easy!

Recycling in Oroville is free and easy. By recycling properly, you can save space in your garbage container and downgrade it, reducing your costs!

1. Keep all recyclables clean, empty, and dry.



2. Recycle rigid and hard plastics like water bottles, milk jugs, and detergent containers.



3. Items with chasing arrows are not always recyclable. When in doubt, check with Recology Butte Colusa Counties, visit [recology.com/recology-butte-colusa/oroville/what-bin](http://recology.com/recology-butte-colusa/oroville/what-bin).



### Common Recycling Mistakes

Don't Get Caught Wish-cycling

Make sure you and all your staff know which items can be recycled. The following items are frequently incorrectly placed into the recycling cart which can result in contamination fees.

- Film and sheet plastics like wrappers and bags, including "reusable" ones
- Paper coffee cups
- All Styrofoam
- Bubble wrap



### Food Donation

Are you a business such as a grocery store, restaurant, or caterer that discards a lot of surplus food? Instead of composting it, consider donating it through the 530 Food Rescue Coalition!



**We believe that good food belongs to people, not landfills; that technology can be used for good; and that people are wired to help – we just need to give them the opportunity.**

**The key to our project success is empowering community volunteers to help end hunger and end food waste in Butte County and beyond**

*530 Food Rescue Coalition Mission Statement*

- The 530 Food Rescue Coalition provides free transportation and coordination of surplus food donations.
  - Food donors are protected from liability by the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan and Food Donation Improvement Act.
  - Making donations can result in tax deductions!
- Learn more at [530foodrescue.org](http://530foodrescue.org).

### Indoor Containers/Pails

Are you a multi-family dwelling with residents that need compost pails?



Are you a business in need of tall indoor food scrap receptacles?

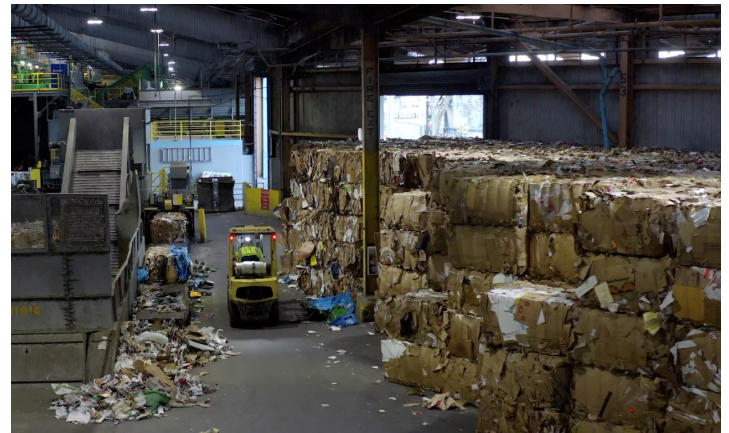


Contact the City of Oroville at [recycle@cityoforoville.org](mailto:recycle@cityoforoville.org) for free container deliveries!

# What Happens When I Recycle?

Wondering what happens once your blue can is collected?

- Recyclable materials are taken to the Oroville Transfer Station.
- Recology collects recyclables and takes them to material recovery facilities, or MRFs.
- Employees and machines work hard to separate materials and pick out landfill waste.
- Materials are baled and sold to manufacturers across the world!

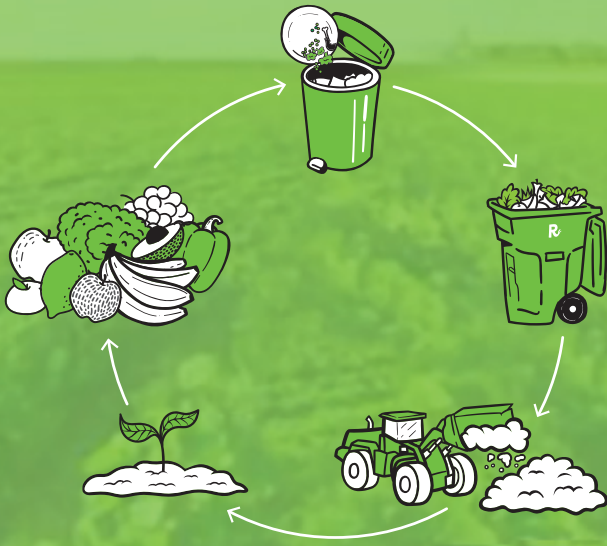


Recology's \$35 million San Francisco MRF

- ✓ PLASTIC TUBS, JUGS AND CONTAINERS
- ✓ PAPER AND CARDBOARD
- ✓ GLASS AND METAL



Belong in the Recycling



## When Life Gives You Scraps, Make Compost!

Putting organic waste in the green cart contributes to Recology's vision of a world without waste. Here's what happens to materials in the green cart:

- Organic materials are taken to the Oroville Transfer Station.
- Recology transports compostables to our award-winning organics facility, Ostrom Road Organics in Wheatland.
- Materials are shredded and piled into long, damp mounds that reach 130–160-degrees.
- Piles are aerated to speed up decomposition and enable microorganisms to break down materials.
- Compost is inspected and sold to farmers and gardeners, beginning the cycle anew!



Recology's Ostrom Road Landfill & Compost Facility