

City of Oroville

Residential Newsletter



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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







Common Recycling Mistakes

Don't Get Caught Wish-cycling

Make sure you 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



Leftover **Holiday Waste?**

- Recycle cardboard and paper wrapping, but not glittery, metallic, or plastic wrapping.
- New electronics? Broken string lights? Dispose of e-waste at Recology Butte Colusa Counties transfer station.
- Donate clothing to donation centers, charities, or drop boxes!

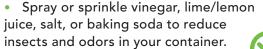






Proper **Compost Practice**

Worried about messy food scraps? Here are some tips to keep your compost pail clean!



- Store your organics container in a cool, shady spot with the lid closed to deter pests and contain smells.
- Freeze food scraps in a paper bag and discard them the night before collection.
- Line the bottom of your container with newspaper or yard waste and clean it with diluted vinegar or baking soda for odor control.

Need a free pail? Contact the City of Oroville at recycle@cityoforoville.org.











When Life Gives You Scraps, Make Compost!

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

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- 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

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



2025 RECYCLING CALENDAR

Your green organics cart is now serviced every week.

Recycling weeks marked in blue. Place all carts at the curb by 6 AM.

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