

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

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SENATE BILL 1383: STATE ORGANICS LAW

California's new waste law, SB-1383, is a statewide effort to reduce emissions with one of its goals to reduce organic waste 50% by Jan. 1, 2020, and 75% by Jan. 1, 2025. Organics and compostable materials placed in landfills break down without oxygen. This creates methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Instead, these materials should be disposed in the organics collection where they can be turned into compost.

Recycling food and other organic waste into compost provides a range of environmental benefits, including improving soil health, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, recycling nutrients, and mitigating the impact of droughts.

All single family households are automatically provided curbside organics (compost/green cart) service. If you do not have compost service, please contact Recology at 650-595-3900 to set it up by Jan. 1, 2022.

HOLIDAY TREE COLLECTION

Recology San Mateo County will collect holiday trees curbside for composting from Jan. 2 – 31, 2022, on your regular collection day. Please remove all decorations and tree stands (flocked trees are accepted) before placing next to your green compost cart or inside your cart, trunk



sticking out. Trees may be up to 8 feet in length. If your tree is longer than 8 feet, please cut the tree before placing the pieces next to or in your compost cart. After Jan. 31, please cut the tree into small pieces to fit inside the green compost cart.

For more information about Recology's holiday collection schedule and holiday tree collection, please visit their website at recology.com/holiday-calendar/.

Creating an **environmentally sound** community

PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY EXPANDS USED ELECTRIC VEHICLE REBATE PROGRAM

Peninsula Clean Energy is expanding its program that offers rebates of up to \$4,000 for the purchase of a used electric vehicle.

San Mateo County residents regardless of income can now receive a rebate starting at \$700 for a plug-in hybrid and \$1,000 for a fully electric vehicle. Income-qualified county residents can receive a rebate as high as \$3,700 for a plug-in hybrid and \$4,000 for a fully electric vehicle.

Learn more at peninsulacleanenergy.com/UsedEV



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SOLID WASTE AND WATER DISCOUNT PROGRAM

The City Council approved a rate assistance program to assist those suffering financial hardship. The program runs through June 30, 2022. Qualified households may receive a 20% monthly discount on solid waste service from Recology San Mateo County and a fixed monthly discount on water service from Menlo Park Municipal Water.

To be eligible for this program, households must meet the following criteria:

- Must be enrolled in the PG&E CARE program, which is another discount program that offers a monthly minimum of 20% on gas and electricity
- Submit most recent PG&E bill to verify CARE enrollment. Address on the PG&E bill must be the same on the solid waste and water bills, but the names may be different
- Submit a most recent Recology and Menlo Park Municipal Water bills to receive applicable discounts
- Re-certify eligibility according to the PG&E CARE program enrollment expiration date.

Households may enroll in the PG&E CARE program by either visiting their website at pge.com/carefera, calling 1-877-743-2273 or emailing careandfera@pge.com.

After enrolling in the CARE program, please visit the City's webpage at menlopark.org/rateassistance for more

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details about the program.

For households who live in the California Water (Cal Water) service area, Cal Water's Customer Assistance Program (CAP) provides financial assistance for qualified households.

Visit calwater.com/cap or email cap@calwater.com.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

City of Menlo Park will be hosting three household hazardous waste events in 2022 and the schedule will be available in late December or early January. For those interested in participating, please make an appointment with San Mateo County Health. Location to be announced upon appointment confirmation.

Acceptable HHW items include acids/bases, aerosol cans, automotive supplies (car batteries, motor oil, antifreeze, break fluids), cleaning products, fertilizers, pesticides, flammable liquids, fluorescent lights (compact and tubes), paints, inks and photo chemicals. Radioactive, explosive, medical and commercial waste is prohibited.

Schedule an appointment online by visiting menlopark.org/hhw or call 650-372-6200.

ON-CALL BULKY ITEM COLLECTION SERVICE

Twice a year, Recology offers a scheduled pickup service of large and bulky items from Feb. 1 through Dec. 31. Residents may set out:

- Two cubic yards of bagged/boxed solid waste
- One large appliance (such as a washing machine, dryer, refrigerator or freezer)
- One bulky item (such as a mattress, couch or tires)
- Electronic waste (such as a TV, computer or computer monitor)

No liquids, dirt, rock, concrete, asphalt, hazardous waste or items that exceed 5 feet in length.

Contact 650-595-3900 to schedule an appointment. For residents in multifamily dwellings, please contact your property manager to schedule a bulky item pickup.

GARBAGE/RECYCLING SERVICE QUESTIONS

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- Visit RecologySanMateoCounty.com
- Call 650-595-3900