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Congratulations Alameda County

Our recycling efforts are making a difference!

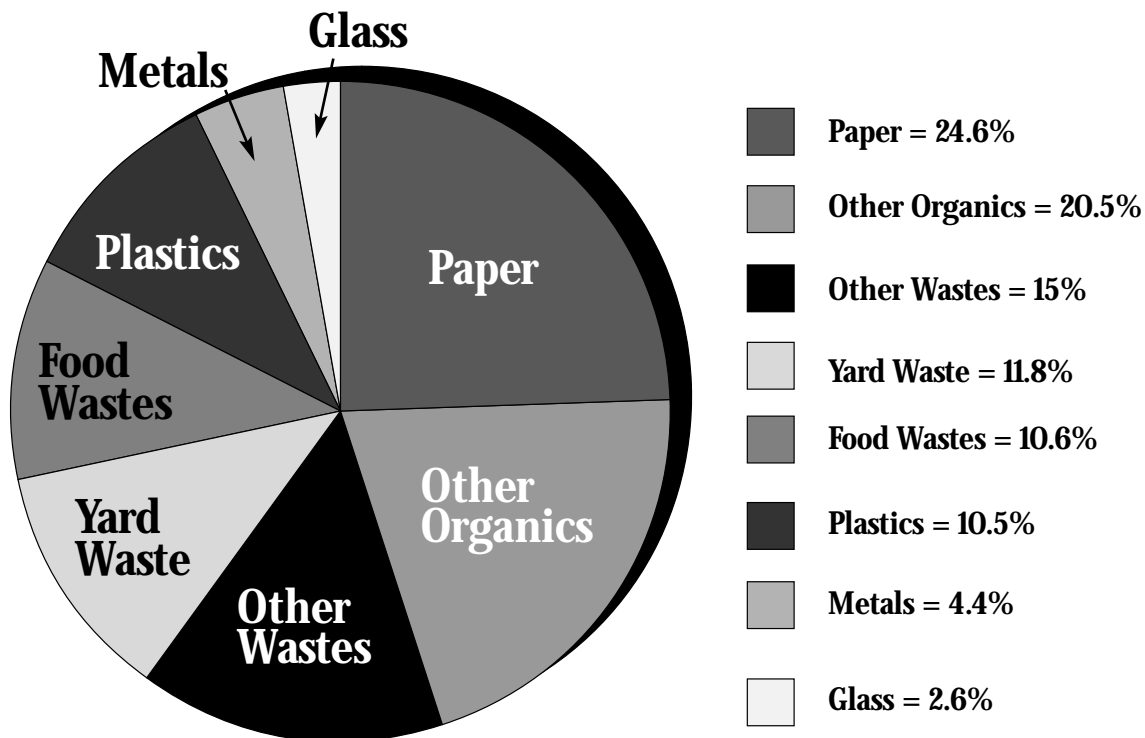
Since 1990, Alameda County has cut the amount of “garbage” going to landfill by 25%, putting us well on our way to the statewide goal of 50% by the year 2000. According to the California Integrated Waste Management Board, by the end of 1996, Alameda County was diverting *39% of all waste generated.*

But we can do even more. Each of us has a stake in preserving resources for future

generations by reducing the amount of material we send to landfills. This Guide provides basic tips to make it easier for you to recycle, as well as ideas on how to stop waste before it starts.

Please do your part. The cumulative effect of thousands of simple actions has a major impact on the waste stream.

What’s in our Waste Stream



Source: Waste Characterization Study for Alameda County, 1996

Four R's for a Better Environment

Reduce

Your actions can stop waste before it starts. Think about the environmental impacts of a product and its packaging before you make a purchase. Consider these suggestions:

- Purchase items in refillable containers. There are numerous outlets throughout Alameda County that offer products in refillables. Call the Recycling Hotline at (510) 639-2498 for locations.
- Buy in bulk whenever possible. If refillables are unavailable, choose products that are packaged in recyclable materials or better yet, not packaged at all.
- Bring a cloth bag or a back pack when you go shopping. The answer to the famous question of paper or plastic? is "I brought my own bag!"
- Avoid disposable or "single-use" products such as disposable razors, pens, lighters, plastic utensils, or batteries.
- When hosting a party use durable, reusable items such as cloth napkins or rigid plastic trays/plates instead of paper plates and napkins. If it is a potluck, ask your guests to bring their own plates, cloth napkins, utensils and glasses.
- Rent items that you rarely use, such as power tools and motorized yard equipment. Some public libraries also have tools available for checkout.
- Eliminate unwanted mail. For information on ways to reduce unwanted mail, see the section on Smart Mail on page 11.

Reuse

There are numerous ways you, or others, can extend the life of products and packaging. Here are a few ideas:

- Patronize and donate items to thrift stores.
- Reuse food containers for storage.
- Reupholster, refinish or donate furniture.
- Turn old office paper into note pads or print rough drafts on the back side of used paper.
- When considering the purchase of a product, determine if it is repairable or is designed to be thrown out when it malfunctions. Buying a quality product the first time may actually save you money.

To locate materials needed for your business or to advertise items available for donation or sale, see the California Materials Exchange program (CAL-MAX) on page 10.

Recycle

Gather materials you know can be recycled in an effort to save money, natural resources and landfill space. The following ideas may be helpful:

- Properly prepare your recyclables. Follow the directions your recycling service provider offers.
- Sort recyclables by material type. Look for codes at the bottom of plastic containers to sort by type. Sort paper by the recycling service provider's requirements.
- Do "the Stomp"— step (stomp) on plastic, aluminum and steel containers to reduce their size before placing these containers in your recycling bin. This will save space on recycling vehicles and make collection routes more efficient and cost effective.
- Seek out locations that accept hard-to-recycle materials like used motor oil, plastics or scrap metal.
- Recycling involves the collection, separation and remanufacturing of materials. Recycling isn't complete until previously used materials are made into new products and then purchased as a recycled content product.

Rot

Most of the organics generated at home can easily be recycled by composting. Whether you live in a house, apartment, condominium or mobile home, there are simple, easy and fun ways you can compost your yard trimmings and kitchen scraps.

- Set up a compost bin to compost yard trimmings.
- Construct a worm box to recycle your kitchen scraps into a rich, valuable plant food.
- Attend a free workshop on composting.

For more information on home composting, see page 9 or call the composting information "Rotline" at 510-444-SOIL.

DON'T FORGET TO BUY RECYCLED The materials you place in your curbside or office recycling bins are used to make recycled products. In order to complete the recycling loop or "cycle", consumers must buy recycled products. Let's "Close the Loop"— call the Recycling Hotline at (510) 639-2498 for information on where and how to buy recycled products. And, most important of all, remember...***if you aren't buying recycled, you aren't recycling!***

Recycling Terms

CA Redemption Value (CRV)

In California, all carbonated beverages sold in aluminum cans, glass bottles and plastic #1 (PET) bottles require a deposit. The deposit amount is 2.5¢ for containers under 24 ounces and 5¢ for containers at or above 24 ounces. This deposit is redeemable at any certified redemption center.

Redemption Center

Many large grocery stores have redemption centers located in their parking lots that pay for CRV aluminum cans, glass bottles, and plastic #1 (PET) bottles. Some also accept newspaper. To locate a redemption center near you, please contact the California Department of Conservation Recycling Hotline at (800) RECYCLE.

Buyback

Recycling facilities often pay cash for recyclable materials. The most common types of materials for buyback are CRV containers, aluminum cans, glass bottles, plastic #1 (PET) bottles, newspaper, white paper and cardboard. Some companies may have minimum quality and quantity requirements for buyback.

Drop-off

Most recycling facilities will accept materials on a drop-off basis. Call to confirm operating hours and material preparation requirements. Some supermarkets also have drop-off containers or "igloos" for aluminum cans, glass bottles, plastic #1 (PET) bottles and newspaper.

Pickup

Many recycling companies provide pickup service on a one-time or regular basis. Availability of such service depends on the quality and quantity of materials as well as geographic proximity.

Fees

Recycling facilities and recycling companies may charge a fee for handling certain materials, such as appliances, yard trimmings, tires, oil or hazardous materials. These fees are usually nominal and make it possible to offset recycling costs and divert such materials away from landfills.

Curbside Pickup

Every city in Alameda County offers curbside recycling programs. Most pickup newspapers, cardboard, cans, bottles and other commonly recycled materials. For more information about curbside pickup in your area, see the curbside recycling directory on page 12.

Transfer Station

Transfer Stations receive garbage for hauling to landfills and often have recycling operations that take cans, bottles, paper, and certain plastics. Transfer Stations increasingly accept materials such as used motor oil, appliances, tires, untreated wood and yard trimmings. See the inside back cover for the telephone number of the nearest transfer station.



A Closer Look at Plastics

There are many types of plastic in use. Plastic must be sorted by type for recycling, since each type melts at a different temperature and has different properties. The plastics industry has developed an identification system to label different types of plastic. The system divides plastic into seven distinct groups and uses a number code generally found on the bottom of containers. The following table explains the seven code system.



Plastic #1: Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET)

Common uses: 2 liter soda bottles, cooking oil bottles, peanut butter jars.

This is the most widely recycled plastic and the only one with a redemption value under the California "Bottle Bill." Recycling programs and centers request that you remove caps and flatten the bottles.



Plastic #2: High Density Polyethylene (HDPE)

Common uses: detergent bottles, milk jugs, grocery bags.

Most curbside recycling programs accept rigid narrow neck containers. Check the curbside recycling matrix on page 12 or contact your curbside recycling service provider about whether it accepts plastic #2 and if containers need to be sorted by color.



Plastic #3: Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)

Common uses: plastic pipes, outdoor furniture, shrink wrap, water bottles, salad dressing and liquid detergent containers.

Recycling centers rarely take #3 plastic. Look for alternatives whenever possible.



Plastic #4: Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE)
Common uses: dry cleaning bags, produce bags, trash can liners, food storage containers.

Recycling centers rarely take #4 plastic. Look for alternatives whenever possible.



Plastic #5: Polypropylene (PP)

Common uses: aerosol caps, drinking straws.

Recycling centers rarely take #5 plastic. Look for alternatives whenever possible.



Plastic #6: Polystyrene (PS)

Common uses: packaging pellets or "Styrofoam peanuts," cups, plastic tableware, meat trays, to-go "clam shells."

Many shipping/packaging stores will accept polystyrene peanuts and other packaging materials for reuse. Cups, meat trays, and other containers that have come in contact with food are difficult to recycle. If you have large quantities, call the Alameda County Recycling Hotline.



Plastic #7: Other

Common uses: certain kinds of food containers and Tupperware.

This plastic category, as its name of "other" implies, is any plastic other than the named #1 – #6 plastic types. These containers can be any of the many different types of plastic polymers. Recycling centers rarely take plastic #7. Look for alternatives.

Special Note: Plastic recycling can be very confusing. One way to think about the different types of plastic is to compare plastic to fruit. Not all fruit is the same. An apple is not an orange. Not all plastic is the same. Plastic #1 is not plastic #5. Even within the same plastic group there are differences. Consider apples. A red apple is not a green apple. A plastic #2 narrow neck milk jug is not the same as a plastic #2 wide mouth yogurt cup.

Keep the value of plastic high by placing only those types that are accepted for recycling in your recycling container.

Household Hazardous Waste

Leftover paints, pesticides, household cleaners, automotive fluids, household batteries and other everyday items we have or use in our homes can be hazardous. Many of these products contain chemicals that are poisonous, corrosive or flammable. These materials may contaminate the environment if poured on the soil, discarded down a household or storm drain, or dumped in the garbage. It's harmful and illegal to put these materials into the trash.

The Alameda County Environmental Health Department operates three drop-off facilities accepting household hazardous materials, free of charge to Alameda County residents. The facilities are located in Hayward, Livermore and Oakland and operate on an appointment-only basis.

To make an appointment to safely dispose of your household hazardous waste, or for more information about how to keep hazardous materials from our waste stream, please contact the Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program at 800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460. For information on safer, less toxic alternatives to hazardous household products, contact the Alameda Countywide Clean Water Program at 510-670-5543.



Appliances (page 16)

Large household appliances are also called “white goods” and include stoves, refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, dryers, and water heaters. Before disposing of an appliance, contact your local thrift shop or used appliance dealer. Some appliance dealers may purchase or pick up appliances in good condition. You may also want to call your garbage service provider for information on “community cleanup” programs or other curbside pickup services.

Under state law, all appliances are banned from landfill disposal. In addition, federal and state law requires that hazardous materials contained in appliances be removed prior to recycling. Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and water coolers contain refrigerants, such as ozone-depleting Freon, which must be evacuated by a professional. Appliances can also contain transmission oil and components which may contain mercury and PCBs. The refrigerants, oil and other hazardous materials must be removed by a trained operator. Do not attempt to do this yourself.



Automotive Products

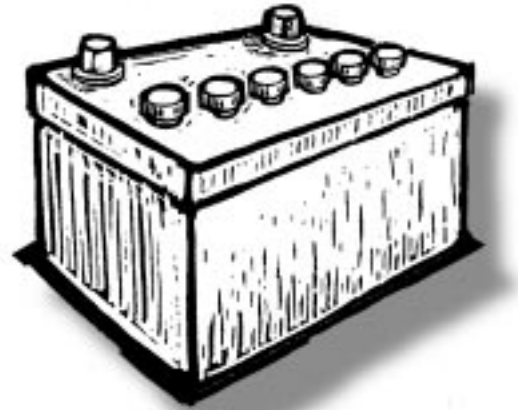
In our automobile-based culture, we deal with many hazardous substances, such as motor oil, antifreeze, crank case oil, brake fluid, windshield wiper fluid, transmission fluid, and batteries. These materials can endanger our health and environment if improperly discarded.

The good news is that automotive products are becoming easier to recycle, and an increasing number of stores, service stations, recycling centers and curbside programs are accepting these materials.

Motor Oil (page 28) gets dirty with use, but once contaminants are removed, it can be used again and again with the same effectiveness as virgin oil. Used motor oil is accepted at many service stations, auto parts stores and recycling centers, and is collected in a number of curbside programs.

Antifreeze (page 15) is very toxic, and is deadly to pets and children if accidentally ingested. Handle this liquid with care. There are several service stations within Alameda County that accept antifreeze.

In addition, the Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program (800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460) will accept antifreeze, brake fluid, transmission fluid, unused windshield wiper fluid and other related products.



Automotive batteries (page 17) are generally salable to scrap metal dealers. They will often be accepted at automotive parts stores, service centers and some recycling centers.

Tires (page 35), because of their shape, trap air and other gases generated in a landfill and, as a result, don't stay buried. Therefore, landfills will not accept whole tires for landfilling. Many tire dealers will accept small quantities for a nominal fee. Check the telephone directory for the nearest tire sales or service center.

For more information on the proper disposal of these or other household hazardous waste materials, call the Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program at 800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460. To locate outlets that accept the above mentioned materials, call the Recycling Hotline at 510-639-2498.

Agency Resources

The Waste Management Authority & Source Reduction and Recycling Board offer many *free* resources. Please call today for information on any of these or other materials and services.

* Reference Library

Books, magazines, brochures, and reports on subjects covering source reduction, recycling, composting, recycled products, hazardous materials, solid waste planning and more. The library also houses a computer with public Internet access.

* Home Composting

Free home composting workshops, low cost compost bins, demonstration gardens, "how-to" brochures, Master Composter Program and composting information "Rotline" - 510-444-SOIL.

* Broadcast Quality Videos

"Kids Talkin' Trash" (1995)

Youngsters learn how to make less garbage by practicing the four R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rot. (14 minutes)

"Taking Back Our Trash: A Film About Trash" (1993)

Illustrates the environmental impact of garbage, highlights recycling programs, and offers basic waste reduction tips. (28 minutes)

"Do the Rot Thing: The Simple Art of Home Composting" (1997)

Demonstrates the basic steps and shares simple tips that make composting at home fun and easy. (22 minutes)

* Business Assistance

Grants, loans, "how-to" guides, recycled product suppliers, "green business" awards, conferences, presentations, referrals to service providers, building industry publications and conferences, training seminars, consultation and on-site assistance.

* Grants

Funding assistance is available to public agencies, non-profit organizations, private businesses, educational institutions, and others interested in projects that promote source reduction, recycling and market development and use of recycled content products in Alameda County.

* Technical Assistance

Information and assistance to residents, businesses, schools, and institutions.

* Recycling & Composting for Schools

Field trips, worm boxes, compost bins, classroom presentations, bi-annual newsletter, art contests, curriculum and much more. Free to Alameda County schools and teachers.



Contact the Recycling Hotline at 510-639-2498, or visit our home page on the world wide web: <www.stopwaste.org>

Compost at Home

We all know that recycling benefits the environment. Now, there's a way that recycling can directly benefit you. Composting at home is a clean, easy way to recycle yard and food debris that also helps you grow a beautiful garden.

By composting at home, you can:

- Build healthy soil, making plants resistant to disease and pests
- Cut down on harsh chemical pesticides and fertilizers
- Reduce the amount of garbage going into landfills.

Order a Low-Cost Compost Bin Today!

Compost bins make it easy to recycle your yard trimmings and kitchen scraps at home. Alameda County residents can purchase:

- a top quality Smith & Hawken Biostack bin for only \$38 (retail \$100)
- a Seattle Hoop bin for just \$17 (retail \$70)
- a Worm Factory worm box for \$25 (retail \$100)

Free Compost Classes

Attend a fun, hands-on class on home composting or worm composting. Classes are offered at compost gardens in Dublin, Livermore, Oakland, and Union City. Classes can also be conducted for groups and organizations.

Free Video and Brochures

Learn to compost at home by ordering the free video *"Do the Rot Thing: The Simple Art of Home Composting,"* or reading our free brochures.



Be A Master Composter

Teach others how to compost and gain job skills through our volunteer training program. In return for training in compost science and organic gardening, Master Composters design and carry out compost education projects in the community.

Call the Compost Information "Rotline" at 510-444-SOIL to:

- Order a low-cost bin
- Receive a free video
- Attend or schedule a compost class
- Sign up for the Master Composter Program

Home Composting is Recycling— Naturally!

Materials Exchange

The reuse and exchange of materials is an increasingly important waste reduction and resource management practice. Materials that still have a useful life are needed and wanted. Teachers, artists, students and businesses can benefit by exchanging and reusing items that already exist.

By reusing things we also save resources, since manufacturing processes consume energy, raw materials and labor. By reusing items we save these valuable resources.

The organizations listed below accept and offer a wide variety of items that historically have been landfilled—almost anything that is useful, clean and non-toxic.

The East Bay Depot For Creative Reuse

6713 San Pablo Avenue
Oakland, CA 94608
510-547-6470

Open to the public.

Materials available for a fee.

From Crayons to Computers

Camp Parks
Dublin, CA 94568
510-803-1234

*Open to Dublin, Livermore and
Pleasanton teachers only.*

Materials available at no charge.

California Materials Exchange (CALMAX)

Sacramento
916-255-2369

< www.ciwmb.ca.gov/mrt/calmax/calmax.htm >

Please contact for a free CALMAX directory.

Remodeling, relocating or just need to get rid of things? Material exchange outlets are the place to find or donate useful items. The possibilities are endless... paper, office supplies, games/toys, building materials, remnants, tubes, trinkets, instruments, computers, maps, tapes, art supplies, bookshelves, wallpaper, jump-ropes, science/lab equipment, medical supplies, scissors... the list goes on.

One person's trash is another's treasure. If you have something you think may be reusable, but aren't sure, please call one of the numbers listed below or refer to the telephone book under "Thrift Shops" to locate the nearest reuse outlets.



MAGIK

1605 63rd Street
Emeryville, CA 94608
510-658-4760

Open to non-profits and the public.

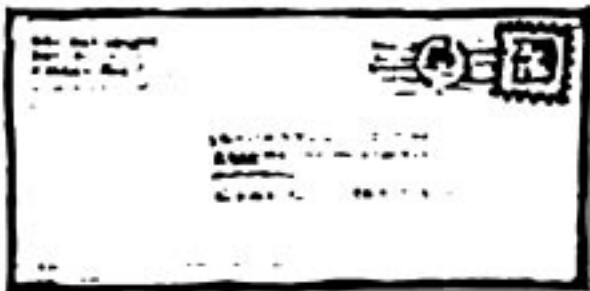
*Materials available to non-profit business
members at no charge.*

We all receive unsolicited mail. Each time you enter a contest, make a donation, buy something on credit or with a check, order a product by mail or send in a subscription or warranty card, there is a good chance that your name and address will be added to a mailing list. These lists are valuable commodities which are regularly sold or traded.

With a few smart steps, you can minimize unwanted mail and continue to receive mail you really want.

Here's what you can do to reduce unwanted mail:

- 1** Write or call organizations requesting that your name and address be removed from their mailing list. If there is a pre-paid postage return envelope, insert a note requesting removal of your name and address from mailing lists. Be sure to include the original mailing label with your name and address and account number, if there is one.
- 2** If there is an 800 telephone number listed, call to request removal of your name and address from mailing lists.
- 3** Write or call mail list brokers and ask to be placed on their "suppress" files.



These are just a few of the many organizations that you can contact to have your name removed or "suppressed" on mailing lists:

Mail Preference Service

c/o Direct Marketing Association
P.O. Box 9008
Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008
212-768-7277

R.L. Polk & Co. • Name Deletion File

List Compilation and Development
Department
6400 Monroe Blvd.
Taylor, MI 48180-1814
800-873-7655

ADVO Systems

Delivery Systems
6955 Mowry Ave.
Newark, CA 94560
510-489-6577

Val-Pak Coupons

P.O. Box 13428
St. Petersburg, FL 33733
800-237-2871

For more information on reducing unwanted mail, call the Recycling Hotline at 510-639-2498.

Recycling Services Directory

This recycling directory is intended as a quick reference guide to assist Alameda County residents. Please consult the Yellow Pages for additional listings of service providers.

The following Yellow Pages categories may be useful:

Antique Clothing • *Used*
Antiques • *Dealers*
Appliances
Automobile • *Wrecking*
Automobile Air Conditioning
Equipment • *Repair & Service*
Automobile Oil
& Lubrication Services
Automobile Parts, Supplies
& Accessories
Automotive • *Repairing*
& *Service*
Bags • *Burlap & Cotton, Used*
Barrels & Drums • *Used*
Batteries • *Rechargeable*
Battery Repairing
& Recharging
Book Dealers • *Used & Rare*
Bottles • *Used*
Brick • *Used*
Building Materials
Architectural, Antique,
& *Used*
Clothing • *Used*
Collectibles
Computer Recycling

Consignment Service
Dumps
Engines • *Rebuilding*
& *Exchanging*
Environmental &
Ecological Services
Environmental, Conservation
& Ecological Products
Fix-it Service
Food Banks
Furniture Dealers • *Used*
Furniture Repairing
& Refinishing
Garbage Collection
Handy Man Services
Hauling
Housing Assistance & Shelters
Human Services Organizations
Junk Dealers
Lumber • *Used*
Machinery • *Used*
Mailing Services
Office Furniture
& Equipment • *Used*
Oils • *Waste*
Packaging Materials

Packaging Services
Plastics • *Scrap*
Plumbing Fixtures, Parts
& Supplies • *Used*
Recycled Products
Recycling Centers
Refrigerators & Freezers Service
Refuse
Rubbish Containers & Hauling
Salvage Merchandise
Scrap Metals
Scrap Plastics
Second Hand Dealers
Service Stations •
Gasoline & Oil
Social Services Organizations
Sporting Goods • *Used*
Steel • *Used*
Television & Radio Dealers
& Services
Thrift Shops
Tools • *Used*
Waste Materials
Waste Paper
Waste Reduction Disposal
& Recycling Services

For additional information about any vendor listed in this guide contact the Recycling Hotline at 510-639-2498 or visit our home page on the world wide web: <www.stopwaste.org>

The information contained in the Directory section is provided by recycling facilities. Because the industry is constantly changing, some facilities may have reduced or expanded the types of materials they take. Always call ahead to confirm hours of operation and assure acceptance of materials you wish to recycle. Facilities without address listings do not accept drop-off materials.

New facilities may have opened since the printing of this Guide, and others may have inadvertently been omitted. Suggestions for recycling organizations which should be included in future editions of the Guide may be forwarded to the Recycling Hotline.

Aerosol Cans

Some curbside recycling programs in Alameda County collect empty aerosol cans. See page 12.

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program

800-606-6606 or
510-670-6460

Drop-off: call for appointment



DTI

Morgan Hill

408-776-7816

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Aluminum

All curbside recycling programs in Alameda County collect aluminum cans. A few also collect aluminum foil and pans.

20/20 Recycling Centers

Call 800-883-2274 for nearest location.

Buyback: CRV only

Drop-off: Non-CRV

Aaron Metals Company

750 - 105th Ave.

Oakland

510-569-6767

Buyback: CRV, scrap

Alco Iron & Metal Company

2350 Davis St.

San Leandro

510-562-1107

Buyback: CRV, scrap

Alliance Metals

3426 Peralta St.

Oakland

510-547-2408

Buyback: CRV, foil/pans, scrap

Pickup: commercial accounts only

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.

Milpitas

408-262-1401

Buyback: CRV

Drop-off: foil/pans

California Waste Solutions

1820 - 10th St.

Oakland

510-836-6200

Buyback: CRV

Drop-off: foil/pans

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Community Conservation

M.L.King Jr. Way & Dwight Way

Berkeley

Drop-off site only

Community Conservation

2nd St. & Gilman St.

Berkeley

510-524-5355

Buyback: CRV, foil/pans, scrap

C.U.R.A.

4510 Peralta Blvd. #1

Fremont

510-713-3213

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Custom Alloy Scrap, Inc.

2730 Peralta St.

Oakland

510-893-6476

Buyback: CRV, scrap

Pickup: commercial accounts only

D C Metals

335 Mandella Parkway

Oakland

510-836-1655

Buyback: CRV, scrap

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.

San Leandro

510-638-2303

Buyback: CRV

Drop-off: foil/pans, scrap

Dorn Recyclers

Livermore

925-449-9328

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Dotson's Mobile Recycling

Serves all of Alameda County

415-971-6226

Pickup: commercial accounts only

EBCC Merritt College Recycling

12500 Campus Dr.

Oakland

510-891-3934

Drop-off: cans, foil/pans

Fry's Machinery & Metals

1845 W. Winton Ave.

Hayward

510-276-4344

Buyback: CRV, scrap

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Goodwill Industries

Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.

Buyback: CRV

KMC, Inc.

2505 Poplar St.

Oakland

510-835-3537

Buyback: CRV

Lakeside Non-Ferrous Metals

412 Madison St.

Oakland

510-444-5466

Buyback: CRV, foil/pans

Aluminum

- It takes an estimated 500 years to break down an aluminum can in a landfill.
- As Californians, if we recycled all the cans we buy in one day, we would have enough aluminum to make 17 Boeing 727 jets.
- Each American uses 56 pounds of aluminum per year.
- Twenty recycled cans can be made for the same energy as a new one.

National Recycling Corporation
1312 Kirkham St.
Oakland
510-268-1022
Buyback: CRV only

Recycle Trucking
Fremont
510-490-9463
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycling & Resource Recovery System
3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton
925-846-2042
Buyback: CRV only
Drop-off: scrap



Refund Recycling
2680 Old First St.
Livermore
925-606-1435
Buyback: CRV, scrap
Drop-off: Non-CRV

Reynolds Aluminum Recycling
Call **800-228-2525** for nearest location.
Buyback: CRV, scrap, foil/pans

San Leandro Community Recycling
1990 Marina Blvd.
San Leandro
510-483-7084
Drop-off

Sims - LMC Recyclers
30104 Industrial Pkwy., S.W.
Hayward
510-471-6600
Buyback: CRV, scrap

Standard Iron & Metal Co.
801 - 69th Ave.
Oakland
510-638-6576
Buyback: CRV, scrap, foil/pans

Tri-CED Community Recycling
33377 Western Ave.
Union City
510-471-3850
Buyback: CRV, scrap, foil/pans

Tri Cities Waste Management
7010 Auto Mall Parkway
Fremont
800-442-5606
Drop-off

Vasco Rd. Landfill & Recycling
Drop-off
4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Drop-off: cans

W. C. Rose
2399 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-569-2255
Buyback: CRV, scrap, foil/pans

Antifreeze Businesses Only

Evergreen Environmental
800-972-5284
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Safety Clean
Oakland
510-832-7942
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Antifreeze

- Most antifreeze is made with a petroleum product called ethylene glycol. It's hazardous to pets as well as the environment — it has a sweet taste, it is deadly if consumed.

Antifreeze - Household

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program
800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460
Drop-off: call for appointment

Art's Automotive
2871 San Pablo Ave.
Berkeley
510-540-7093
Drop-off

Firestone Store
3785 Broadway
Oakland
510-653-9680
Drop-off

Fremont/Tri Cities Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
7010 Auto Mall Parkway
510-624-5900
Drop-off: Fremont, Newark, Union City residents only

Grand Auto
4240 E. 14th
Oakland
510-532-1240
Drop-off

Oceanworks
2703 Tenth St.
Berkeley
510-849-1383
Drop-off: oil, oil filters, antifreeze

Pick Your Part
2557 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-785-3770
Drop-off

Speedee Oil Change & Tune
410 Mowry Ave.
Fremont
510-713-7771
Drop-off

Steve's Exxon Service
2991 Hopyard Rd.
Pleasanton
925-462-5858
Fee

Unocal 76
2445 Castro Valley Blvd.
Castro Valley
510-581-6700
Fee

Unocal 76
47011 Warm Springs Blvd.
Fremont
510-657-3575
Drop-off

Appliances

Reuse

Alameda County Appliance

102 "B" St.
Hayward

510-582-7504

Drop-off: working/fixable appliances

Pickup: working/fixable appliances

Appliance Rebuilders

3106-A Depot Rd.
Hayward

510-782-9584

Dropoff

Pickup

Fee

C.U.R.A.

4510 Peralta Blvd. #1
Fremont

510-713-3213

Pickup: no refrigerators

Family Crisis Center

1613 Second St.
Livermore

925-449-1664

Drop-off: working appliances only

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops

Hayward

510-537-7338

Drop-off: working/fixable appliances; refrigerators must be working.

Pickup: call for appointment

Gilman Street Salvage

808 Gilman St.
Berkeley

510-524-5500

Drop-off: small appliances

Buyback: working appliances only

Goodwill Industries

Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.

Drop-off: working appliances only

Pickup: call for appointment

Jeb's Appliance

847 E. Lewelling Blvd.
Hayward

510-278-3511

Buyback

Drop-off

Pickup: call for an appointment

Low Cost Appliances

6451 San Pablo Ave.
Oakland

510-658-4404

Drop-off

Pickup: call for an appointment

Salvation Army

601 Webster St.
Oakland

510-451-4510

Drop-off: working appliances only

Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent de Paul

Call 510-638-7600 for nearest location.

Drop-off: working/fixable appliances; refrigerators must be working.

Pickup: call for appointment

Appliances

- Refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners contain ozone-depleting CFCs as a coolant. When they need to be scrapped, CFCs must be removed by a professional.

Thrift Town

16160 - E. 14th St.
San Leandro

510-278-1766

Drop-off: small working appliances only

Urban Ore - General Store

1333 - 6th St.
Berkeley

510-559-4450

Buyback: working appliances only

Appliances

Altamont Landfill

10840 Altamont Pass Rd.
Livermore

925-449-6349

Fee

Berkeley Transfer Station

1201 Second St.
Berkeley

510-644-8894

Fee: all appliances

Butterick Enterprises

505 Burke St.
San Jose

408-292-5687

Fee: all appliances must be certified CFC (Freon) free

C.U.R.A.

4510 Peralta Blvd. #1
Fremont

510-713-3213

Pickup: no refrigerators

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro

510-638-2303

Fee: all appliances

Dorn Recyclers

Livermore

925-449-9328

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Dull One

Hayward

510-785-8114

Pickup: five or more units; freon free

Freon Free

Serves all of Alameda County

707-429-9013

Pickup: Residential & Commercial

Recycling & Resource Recovery Systems

3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton

925-846-2042

Fee: all appliances

San Leandro Community Recycling

1990 Marina Blvd.
San Leandro

510-483-7084

Drop-off: all except refrigerators

Sims - LMC Recyclers

30104 Industrial Pkwy. S.W.
Hayward

510-471-6600

Drop-off: all except refrigerators

Tri Cities Waste Management

7010 Auto Mall Parkway
Fremont
800-442-5606
Fee

W. C. Rose

2399 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-569-2255
Buyback: large quantities
Drop-off: small quantities
Fee: refrigerators/freezers

Asphalt, Brick & Concrete

Altamont Landfill

10840 Altamont Pass Rd.
Livermore
925-449-6349
Fee

CalMat

501 El Charro Road
Pleasanton
925-485-1279
*Fee: asphalt, concrete w/rebar,
broken bricks*

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
*Fee: asphalt,
concrete*

**Dutra Materials**

4001 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-887-8070
*Fee: asphalt, concrete w/rebar,
broken bricks, roofing tile*

Landfill Management

4001 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-887-8070
Fee: asphalt, concrete w/rebar

La Vista Quarry

28814 Mission Blvd.
Hayward
510-538-5085
*Drop-off: asphalt, concrete
w/rebar, clean porcelain sinks/toi-
lets*

Raisch Company

7010 Auto Mall Parkway
Fremont
510-623-5870
*Fee: asphalt, asphalt composition
shingles, concrete w/rebar, clay and
concrete roofing tiles*

Raisch Company

2122 Old Calaveras Rd.
Milpitas
408-934-1847
*Fee: asphalt, concrete w/rebar,
clay and concrete roofing tiles*

Specialty Crushing

Sites in Fremont and Emeryville
510-986-0964
Fee: asphalt, concrete w/rebar

Vasco Rd. Landfill & Recycling Drop-off

4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Drop-off: clean asphalt
Fee: concrete w/rebar

Automotive Batteries

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program
800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460
Drop-off: call for appointment

Alco Iron & Metal Company

2350 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-562-1107
Buyback

American Battery Company

22851 Sutro St.
Hayward
510-881-5122
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Battery Specialists

2824 San Pablo Ave.
Oakland
510-451-1249
Drop-off

C.U.R.A.

4510 Peralta Blvd. #1
Fremont
510-713-3213
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Fremont/Tri Cities Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

7010 Auto Mall Parkway
510-624-5900
*Drop-off: Fremont, Newark, Union
City residents only*

Grand Auto

See phone book for nearest location.
Drop-off

Kragen Auto Parts

See phone book for nearest location.
Drop-off

Mission Chevron

24086 Mission Blvd.
Hayward
510-886-0663
Drop-off

Nica Metals

101 N. Greenville Rd.
Livermore
925-443-6422
Drop-off

Pick Your Part

2557 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-785-3770
Drop-off

Recycle Trucking

Fremont
510-792-9463
Pickup

Sears Automotive

See phone book for nearest location.
Drop-off

Sims - LMC Recyclers

30104 Industrial Pkwy S.W.
Hayward
510-471-6600
Drop-off

Steve's Exxon Service
2991 Hopyard Rd.
Pleasanton
925-462-5858
Drop-off

Unocal 76
47011 Warm Springs Blvd.
Fremont
510-657-3575
Drop-off

W. C. Rose
2399 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-569-2255
Drop-off



Automobile Donations

Best Buddies
Call **800-213-8800**
Pickup: call for appointment

Goodwill Industries
Call **510-534-6666**
Pickup: call for appointment

National Kidney Foundation
800-706-2277
Pickup: call for appointment

MAGIK
Emeryville
510-658-4760
Pickup: call for appointment

SAVE, Inc.
Fremont
510-794-6056
Pickup: call for appointment

Sierra Children's Home
800-513-6560
Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent de Paul
800-937-7837
Pickup: must be working

Automobiles

● Three million cars are abandoned every year in the U.S.

Volunteers of America
800-559-5459
Pickup: call for appointment

Batteries - Household

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program
800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460
Drop-off: call for appointment

Berkeley Ace Hardware
2145 University Ave.
Berkeley
510-845-0410
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Black & Decker
15401 Hesperian Blvd.
San Leandro
510-276-1610
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Circuit City
See phone book for nearest location.
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Computer Center of Hayward
23951 Mission Blvd.
Hayward
510-538-7368
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Computer City
4565 Rosewood Dr.
Pleasanton
925-225-4500
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Fremont/Tri Cities Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
7010 Auto Mall Parkway
Fremont
510-624-5900
Drop-off: Fremont, Newark, Union City residents only

Grand Lake Ace Hardware
1221 Grand Ave.
Piedmont
510-652-1936
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Piedmont Lumber
351 - 40th St.
Oakland
510-658-1826
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Radio Shack
See phone book for nearest location.
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Target
4300 Los Positas Dr.
Livermore
925-606-1445
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Target
7200 Amador Plaza Dr.
Dublin
925-829-8900
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Wal-Mart
4501 Rosewood Dr.
Pleasanton
925-734-8744
Drop-off: Ni-Cad Rechargeables

Bicycles - Reuse

C.U.R.A.
4510 Peralta Blvd. #1
Fremont
510-713-3213
Drop-off Pickup

Family Crisis Center
1613 Second St.
Livermore
925-449-1664
Drop-off: working/fixable

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops
Hayward
510-537-7338
Drop-off: working/fixable

Goodwill Industries
Call **510-534-6666** for nearest location.
Drop-off: working/fixable Pickup: call for appointment



Salvation Army
601 Webster St.
Oakland
510-451-4510
Drop-off: working/fixable
Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent de Paul
Call 510-638-7600 for nearest location.
Drop-off: working/fixable
Pickup: call for appointment

Thrift Town
16160 - E. 14th St.
San Leandro
510-278-1766
Drop-off: working/fixable

Urban Ore - General Store
1333 - 6th St.
Berkeley
510-559-4450
Buyback: working/fixable

Books

Reuse

Many used book stores and thrift shops accept books. See your telephone directory under "thrift shops" and "books-used & rare."

Books for the Barrios
Concord
925-687-7701
Donates educational materials to third world classes/kids.
Call for an appointment

East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse
6713 San Pablo Ave.
Oakland
510-547-6470
Drop-off

From Crayons to Computers
Dublin
925-803-1234
Drop-off

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops
Hayward
510-537-7338
Drop-off

Gilman Street Salvage
808 Gilman St.
Berkeley
510-524-5500
Drop-off

Goodwill Industries
Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.
Drop off

SAVE, Inc.
38218-D Glenmoor Dr.
Fremont
510-794-6056
Pickup: call for appointment

Salvation Army
601 Webster St.
Oakland
510-451-4510
Drop off

St. Vincent de Paul
Call 510-638-7600 for nearest location.
Drop-off

Thrift Town
16160 - E. 14th St.
San Leandro
510-278-1766
Drop-off

Urban Ore - Arts & Media Exchange
1333 - 6th St.
Berkeley
510-559-4456
Drop-off

Books

California Waste Solutions
1820 - 10th St.
Oakland
510-836-6200
Drop-off: hard and soft cover
Pickup: large quantities

Community Conservation
M. L. King Jr. Way & Dwight Way
Berkeley
Drop-off site only

Community Conservation
2nd St. & Gilman St.
Berkeley
510-524-5355
Drop-off: soft cover only

Davis St. SMaRT
2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Drop-off: hard and soft cover

KMC, Inc.
2505 Poplar St.
Oakland
510-835-3537
Drop-off

Northern California Pulp & Paper
2085 Wayne Ave.
San Leandro
510-483-3255
Drop-off

Paper Recovery of Northern California
2361 Davis Ave.
Hayward
510-785-7311
Drop-off

San Ramon Recycling Center
2231 Omega
San Ramon
925-743-0903
Drop-off

Secondary Fibre
Union City
510-487-4995
Pickup: hard and soft cover;
commercial accounts only

The Sutta Company
1221 - 3rd St.
Oakland
510-873-8777
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Weyerhaeuser Paper
42305 Albrae St.
Fremont
510-490-5887
Drop-off: hard and soft cover



Building Materials

Reuse

A Bygone Era

697 - 5th St.

Oakland

510-444-5209

Buyback: vintage items, pre-1950s - doors, windows, bathroom fixtures, hardware, cabinets, lighting, marble/tile, ironwork, tubs, sinks, bicycles, mirrors

Pickup: call for appointment



Berkeley Architectural Salvage

167- 65th St.

Oakland

510-655-2270

Buyback: pre-1950s doors, windows, bathroom fixtures, hardware, lumber, lighting, marble/tile, ironwork

Pickup: call for appointment

Building Resources

701 Amador St.

San Francisco

415-285-7814

Drop-off: bathroom fixtures, doors, windows, hardware, brick, masonry/tile, toilets/sinks, wire, lighting, lumber

C & K Salvage

718 Douglas Ave.

Oakland

510-569-2070

Buyback: bathroom fixtures, doors, hardware, lumber, brick, masonry/tile

Pickup: call for appointment

Caldwell Building Wrecker

195 Bayshore

San Francisco

415-550-6777

Buyback: bathroom fixtures, doors, hardware, sinks, brick, masonry/tile

Habitat for Humanity

2619 Broadway

Oakland

510-251-6304

Drop-off: drywall, pre-hung doors, windows, bathroom fixtures, hardware, lumber, plywood, sinks, plumbing

Pickup: call for appointment

Ohmega Salvage

2407 San Pablo Ave.

Berkeley

510-843-7368

Buyback: pre-1950s doors, windows, bathroom fixtures, hardware, light fixtures, toilets/sinks

Pickup: call for arrangements

Drop-off

Project: Team Work

Concord

925-935-0829

Fee: construction site clean-up, deconstruction, soft demolition

Recycled Materials

Palo Alto

415-856-0634

Drop-off: dry wall, doors, windows, bathroom fixtures, hardware, lighting, marble/tile, ironwork, bricks

Revival Builders Supply

3023 17th St.

San Francisco

415-241-9399

Pickup: vintage building materials, clawfoot tubs, pedestal sinks

The Sink Factory

2140 San Pablo Ave.

Berkeley

800-653-4926

Buyback: bathroom fixtures, hardware

Pickup: call for appointment

Building Materials

- A recent study found that recycling and reusing building materials can keep 90% of construction debris out of landfills.
- About 3 million tons of wood are lost to landfills every year, accounting for nearly 10% of California's waste stream. Only 12% of wood is currently diverted.

Urban Ore - Building

Materials Exchange

1333 - 6th St.

Berkeley

510-559-4460

Buyback: doors, windows, cabinets, bathroom fixtures, hardware, lumber, ironwork, lighting

Drop-off: including scrap metal and wire

Pickup: large quantities only

Cardboard - Corrugated

See Paper page 30

Christmas Trees

Most cities in Alameda County provide recycling of yard trimmings year-round. Call the Recycling Hotline for additional information during the holiday season.

Clothing/ Textiles - Reuse

Most thrift shops accept used clothing for resale. See your telephone directory under "thrift shops."

C.U.R.A.

4510 Peralta Blvd. #1

Fremont

510-713-3213

Drop-off: usable clothing

Pickup:

Family Crisis Center

1613 Second St.

Livermore

925-449-1664

Drop-off: usable clothing

From Crayons to Computers

Dublin

925-803-1234

Drop-off: fabric

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops

Hayward

510-537-7338

Drop-off: clothing & scraps

Goodwill Industries
Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.

Drop-off
Pickup: call for appointment

Salvation Army

601 Webster St.
Oakland

510-451-4510

Drop-off
Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent de Paul

Call 510-638-7600 for nearest location.

Drop-off
Pickup: call for appointment

Thrift Town

16160 - E. 14th St.
San Leandro

510-278-1766

Drop-off: usable clothing

**Clothing/
Textiles**

ETR

Los Angeles

213-758-1387

Buyback: truckload quantities of fabric, clothing, textiles

United Textile Co.

San Lorenzo

510-276-2288

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Computers - Reuse

Alph Electronics

13948 Doolittle Dr.
San Leandro

510-895-8938

Drop-off: fixable computers
Pickup: call for appointment

Books for the Barrios

Concord

925-687-7701

Drop-off: working computers
Pickup: call for appointment

Berkeley Neighborhood Computers

Berkeley

510-845-5757

Drop-off
Pickup: call for appointment

Computer Recycling Center

2971 Mead Ave.

Santa Clara

408-327-1818

Drop-off

C.U.R.A.

4510 Peralta Blvd. #1

Fremont

510-713-3213

Pickup

Goodwill Industries

Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.

Drop-off: working computers
Pickup: call for appointment

HMR

San Francisco

415-647-6071

Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

MAGIK

1605 - 63rd St.

Emeryville

510-658-4760

Drop-off: working computers
Pickup: call for appointment

SAVE, Inc.

38218-D Glenmoor Dr.

Fremont

510-794-6056

Drop-off: working computers
Pickup: call for appointment

Salvation Army

601 Webster St.

Oakland

510-451-4510

Drop-off: working computers
Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent de Paul

Call 510-638-7600 for nearest location.

Drop-off: working computers
Pickup: call for appointment

Thrift Town

16160 - E. 14th St.

San Leandro

510-278-1766

Drop-off: including cables, keyboards, printers



Tom's Computer Stuff

710 Gilman

Berkeley

510-540-0148

Buyback: newer PCs, monitors, keyboards, printers

Urban Ore - Arts & Media Exchange

1333 - 6th St.

Berkeley

510-559-4456

Buyback: including printers, copiers

Drop-off: older models

Pickup: large quantities only

Computers - Scrap

Aaron Metals Company

750 - 105th Ave.

Oakland

510-569-6767

Buyback

Alliance Metals

3426 Peralta St.

Oakland

510-547-2408

Buyback

Capital Finance Group

Oakland

510-339-6038

Pickup: large quantities of computers, misc. equipment & electronics; commercial accounts only

Custom Alloy Scrap, Inc.

2730 Peralta St.

Oakland

510-893-6476

Buyback

Pickup: commercial accounts only

D C Metals

335 Mandella Parkway

Oakland

510-836-1655

Buyback

Electronic Recovery Group

1678 Delta Ct.
Hayward
510-489-2104
Buyback
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Fry's Machinery & Metals

1845 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-276-4344
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycle Trucking

Fremont
510-792-9463
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Schnitzer Steel

1101 Embarcadero West
Oakland
510-444-3919
Buyback

Sims - LMC Recyclers

30104 Industrial Pkwy. S.W.
Hayward
510-471-6600
Buyback: no monitors

W. C. Rose

2399 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-569-2255
Buyback

Computer Disks/ Laser CDs

Ecodisk

Tacoma, WA
253-471-1800
*Send CDs or computer diskettes
for recycling*

MBA Polymers, Inc.

500 West Ohio Ave.
Richmond
510-231-9031
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Polymer Recovery Services

Santa Clara
408-748-9715
*Pickup: CDs, disks, cases; com-
mercial accounts only*



Software Recovery

Hayward
510-785-7311
Pickup: commercial accounts only
Fee: disks and CDs

Trotter Technologies

San Jose
408-993-9384
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only
*Fee: disks and CDs; shipments
accepted*

Concrete

See asphalt, page 17

Couches - Reuse

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops

Hayward
510-537-7338
Drop-off: reusable condition only
Pickup: call for appointment

Goodwill Industries

**Call 510-534-6666 for nearest
location.**
Drop-off: good condition only
Pickup: call for appointment

SAVE, Inc.

38218-D Glenmoor Dr.
Fremont
510-794-6056
Pickup: call for appointment

Salvation Army

601 Webster St.
Oakland
510-451-4510
Drop-off: reusable condition only
Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent de Paul

**Call 510-638-7600 for nearest
location.**
Drop-off: reusable condition only
Pickup: call for appointment

Thrift Town

16160 - E. 14th St.
San Leandro
510-278-1766
Drop-off: reusable condition only



Urban Ore - General Store

1333 - 6th St.
Berkeley
510-559-4450
Drop-off: reusable condition only

Dirt - Clean Fill

Altamont Landfill

10840 Altamont Pass Rd.
Livermore
925-449-6349
Fee

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.
Milpitas
408-262-1401
Fee: clean fill

CalMat

501 El Charro Rd.
Pleasanton
925-485-1279
Fee: clean fill

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Fee: clean fill

Landfill Management, Inc.

4001 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-784-0825
*Fee: clean fill and dirt with gravel
and rocks*

Pleasanton Transfer Station

3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton
925-846-2042
Fee: clean fill

Raisch Company

2122 Old Calaveras Rd.
Milpitas
408-934-1847
Fee

Vasco Rd. Landfill & Recycling Dropoff

4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Fee: clean fill

Drums & Buckets

Amigo Bags

Oakland
510-535-2455
Drop-off: food grade drums & buckets
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Bags & Barrels

1737 Addison Way
Hayward
510-732-1333
Drop-off: food grade drums, PP & burlap bags
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Container Management Services

21301 Cloud Way
Hayward
510-653-2761
Drop-off: drums and plastic buckets
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Containers Unlimited

10901 Russet St.
Oakland
510-430-0503
Drop-off: plastic buckets and metal & plastic drums

G.B. Industrial

Union City
510-489-5172
Pickup: plastic drums; commercial accounts only

R. H. Wood Products, Inc.

Newark
510-794-6676
Pickup: plastic drums & buckets; commercial accounts only

Urban Ore - Building Materials Exchange

1333 - 6th St.
Berkeley
510-559-4460
Buyback: doors, windows, cabinets, bathroom fixtures, hardware, lumber, ironwork, lighting
Drop-off: including scrap metal and wire
Pickup: large quantities only

Drywall

Habitat for Humanity

2619 Broadway
Oakland
510-251-6304
Drop-off: reusable sizes only
Pickup: call for details

Recycled Materials

Palo Alto
415-856-0634
produces newsletter for materials exchange

Vasco Rd. Landfill

4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Fee

Weaver Industries

Livermore
800-242-8733
Fee

Educational Materials - Reuse

Many thrift shops will accept various forms of educational materials. See your telephone directory under "thrift shops."

Books for the Barrios

Concord
925-687-7701

Drop-off: books, toys, games, typewriters
Pickup: call for appointment



East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse

6713 San Pablo Ave.
Oakland
510-547-6470
Drop-off: art supplies, books, excess/surplus, reusables. Call first.

From Crayons to Computers

Dublin
925-803-1234
Drop-off: art supplies, books, excess/surplus, reusables. Call first.

Electronics - Reuse & Recycling

Many electronic shops will accept many types of used or repairable electronic equipment. See your telephone directory under "Television & Radio Dealers & Services."

Alameda Audio-Video

Stores in Alameda & Oakland
510-522-6688 or 510-420-8818
Drop-off: working/fixable televisions, VCRs, computer monitors

Aleph Electronics

13948 Doolittle Dr.
San Leandro
510-895-8938
Drop-off: working/fixable televisions, VCRs, computers.
Pickup: call for appointment

Allen's TV Service

2451 M. L. King Jr. Way
Berkeley
510-835-1647
Drop-off: working/fixable televisions, VCRs

Capital Finance Group

Oakland
510-339-6038
Pickup: computer and office electronics; commercial accounts only

Dorn Recyclers

Livermore
925-449-9328
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops

Hayward

510-537-7338

Drop-off: working/fixable televisions, VCRs, etc.

Pickup: call for appointment



Gilman Street Salvage

808 Gilman St.

Berkeley

510-524-5500

Buy Back: working VCRs, radios, power tools

Goodwill Industries

Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.

Drop-off: working televisions, VCRs, hair dryers, toasters, can openers, etc.

Pickup: call for appointment

HMR

San Francisco

415-647-6071

Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

MAGIK

1605 - 63rd St.

Emeryville

510-658-4760

Drop-off: working electronic equipment

Pickup: call for appointment

Recycle Trucking

Fremont

510-490-9463

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Salvation Army

601 Webster St.

Oakland

510-451-4510

Drop-off: working televisions, VCRs, hair dryers, toasters, can openers, etc.

Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent de Paul

Call 510-638-7600 for nearest location.

Drop-off: working televisions, VCRs, hair dryers, toasters, can openers, etc.

Pickup: call for appointment

Thrift Town

16160 - E. 14th St.

San Leandro

510-278-1766

Drop-off: working televisions, VCRs, hair dryers, toasters, can openers, etc.

Urban Ore - General Store

1333 - 6th St.

Berkeley

510-559-4450

Buyback: working televisions, VCRs, hair dryers, toasters, can openers, etc.

Eyeglasses - Reuse

LensCrafters

Call 800-522-LENS for nearest location.

Drop-off

Lions Center for the Blind

3834 Opal St.

Oakland

510-450-1580

Drop-off

Pearle Vision

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off

Fluorescent Light Bulbs & Ballasts

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program

800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460

Drop-off: call for appointment

Allied Technology Group, Inc.

47375 Fremont Blvd.

Fremont

510-490-3008

Fee: small quantities

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Freon Free

Serves all of Alameda County

707-429-9013

Pickup: ballasts

Mercury Recovery Services

Hayward

510-782-8982

Fee: small quantities

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Mercury Technologies International

Hayward

800-628-3675

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycle Trucking

Fremont

510-792-9463

Pickup: tubes & ballasts

Safety Clean

Oakland

510-832-7942

Pickup: tubes & ballasts

Food Donations

Alameda County Community Food Bank

Oakland

510-568-3663

Drop-off: donations of 100 pounds or more of dried/dehydrated, canned, refrigerated/frozen, expired food, packaged, produce in cases. Will not accept food prepared for catering events or restaurants.

Daily Bread Project

Oakland

510-540-1250

Oakland and Berkeley only

Pickup: any types and amounts of edible food; call for appointment

Family Crisis Center

1613 Second St.

Livermore

925-449-1664

Drop-off: all edible food

Pickup: call for appointment

Oakland Mayor Hunger Relief Program

Oakland

510-238-7754

Recorded message of numerous food programs

Oakland Potluck

678 13th St.

Oakland

510-272-0414

Drop-off: fresh, perishable,

canned, dried, prepared/unprepared

Pickup: call for appointment

St. Vincent De Paul Free Dining Room

675 - 23rd St.

Oakland

510-451-7676

Drop-off: fresh, perishable,

canned, dried, frozen, bakery

goods, prepared/unprepared

Pickup: call for appointment

Tri-City Volunteers

37350 Joseph St.

Fremont

510-793-4583

Fremont, Newark, Union City only

Drop-off: all edible food

Furniture - Reuse

A Bygone Era

697 - 5th St.

Oakland

510-444-5209

Buyback: vintage items, pre-1950s

bathroom fixtures, hardware, mar-

ble/tile, ironwork, tubs, sinks

Pickup: call for appointment

Family Crisis Center

1613 Second St.

Livermore

925-449-1664

Drop-off: chairs, book shelves,

lamps

From Crayons to Computers

Dublin

925-803-1234

Drop-off: chairs, book shelves,

lamps

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops

Hayward

510-537-7338

Drop-off: couches, tables, chairs,

book shelves, lamps

Pickup: call for appointment

Gilman Street Salvage

808 Gilman St.

Berkeley

510-524-5500

Buyback: tables, chairs, book

shelves, lamps

Goodwill Industries

Call 510-534-6666 for nearest

location.

Drop-off: couches, tables, chairs,

book shelves, lamps

Pickup: call for appointment

MAGIK

Emeryville

510-658-4760

Pickup: call for appointment

SAVE, Inc.

38218-D Glenmoor Dr.

Fremont

510-794-6056

Drop-off: couches, tables, chairs,

book shelves, lamps

St. Vincent de Paul

Call 510-638-7600 for nearest

location.

Drop-off: couches, tables, chairs,

book shelves, lamps

Pickup: call for appointment

Salvation Army

601 Webster St.

Oakland

510-451-4510

Drop-off: couches, tables, chairs,

book shelves, lamps

Pickup: call for appointment

Thrift Town

16160 - E. 14th St.

San Leandro

510-278-1766

Drop-off: couches, tables, chairs,

book shelves, lamps

Urban Ore - General Store

1333 - 6th St.

Berkeley

510-559-4450

Buyback: household/commercial

furniture/equipment

Pickup: large quantities only

Glass Containers

Reuse

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.

San Leandro

510-638-2303

Buyback: domestic wine &

Champagne bottles

EBCC Merritt College Recycling

12500 Campus Dr.

Oakland

510-891-3934

Drop-off: domestic wine &

Champagne bottles

Encore!

Serves all of Alameda County

510-234-5670

Buyback: domestic wine &

Champagne bottles

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Evergreen Glass

Serves all of Alameda County

209-463-5482

Pickup: domestic wine &

Champagne bottles; commercial

accounts only

San Ramon Recycling Center

2231 Omega Rd.

San Ramon

925-743-0903

Drop-off: domestic wine &

Champagne bottles

Glass Containers

All curbside recycling programs in

Alameda County collect glass bot-

tles and jars.

20/20 Recycling Center

Call 800-883-2274 for nearest

location.

Buyback: CRV

Drop-off: non-CRV

Alco Iron & Metal Company

2350 Davis St.

San Leandro

510-562-1107

Buyback: CRV only

Alliance Metals

3426 Peralta St.
Oakland
510-547-2408
Buyback: CRV only
Pickup: commercial accounts only

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.
Milpitas
408-262-1401
Buyback: CRV only
Drop-off

Glass

- Glass can be recycled indefinitely.
- A bottle that is thrown away today will be around over 1,000 years from now!
- When glass is recycled, water consumption is reduced by 50%, mining wastes by 79%, and air pollutants by 14%.

California Waste Solutions

1820 - 10th St.
Oakland
510-836-6200
Buyback: CRV only
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Community Conservation

M.L. King Jr. Way & Dwight Way
Berkeley
Drop-off site only

Community Conservation

2nd St. & Gilman St.
Berkeley
510-524-5355
Drop-off
Buyback: CRV only

D C Metals

1414 - 3rd St.
Oakland
510-836-1655
Buyback: CRV only

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Buyback: CRV, wine bottles
Drop-off

Dorn Recyclers

Livermore
925-449-9328
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Dotson's Mobile Recycling

Serves all of Alameda County
415-971-6226
Pickup: commercial accounts only

EBCC Merritt College Recycling

12500 Campus Dr.
Oakland
510-891-3934
Drop-off

Fry's Machinery & Metals

1845 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-276-4344
Buyback: CRV only
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Goodwill Industries

Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.
Buyback: CRV only

KMC, Inc.

2505 Poplar St.
Oakland
510-835-3537
Buyback: CRV

National Recycling Corporation

1312 Kirkham St.
Oakland
510-268-1022
Buyback: CRV
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycling & Resource Recovery System

3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton
925-846-2042
Buyback: CRV only
Drop-off

Refund Recycling

2680 Old First St.
Livermore
925-606-1435
Buyback: CRV only

Reynolds Aluminum Recycling

Call 800-228-2525 for nearest location.
Buyback: CRV only

San Leandro Community Recycling

1990 Marina Blvd.
San Leandro
510-483-7084
Drop-off

Sims - LMC Recyclers

30104 Industrial Pkwy., S.W.
Hayward
510-471-6600
Buyback: CRV only

Tri-CED Community Recycling

33377 Western Ave.
Union City
510-471-3850
Buyback:
Drop-off

Vasco Road Landfill & Recycling Drop-off

4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Drop-off

Western Strategic Materials

6565 Smith Ave.
Newark
510-791-6980
Buyback: CRV & plate glass
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only

**Grease/
Food Service Oils**

Darling International, Inc.

San Francisco
800-473-4890
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Independent Renderers, Inc.

Modesto
800-564-7204
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Grocery Bags

Paper bags are made of the same material as corrugated cardboard boxes. They can be recycled together.

Plastic grocery bags (#2) and plastic produce bags (#4) can be recycled at most large grocery stores.

Amigo Bags

Oakland

510-535-2455

Pickup: plastic bags; commercial accounts only

Bay Polymer Corporation

Fremont

510-490-1791

Pickup: plastic bags; commercial accounts only

G.B. Industrial

Union City

510-489-5172

Pickup: plastic bags; commercial accounts only

HRG Recycling

Hayward

510-881-2616

Pickup: plastic bags; commercial accounts only

Multi-Material Management & Marketing

Oakland

510-763-0101

Pickup: plastic bags; commercial accounts only

Hangers

Many dry cleaners and thrift shops will take hangers for reuse.

HRG Recycling

Hayward

510-881-2616

Pickup: plastic; commercial accounts only



Kingman Products, Inc.

Moraga

510-377-1800

Pickup: plastic; commercial accounts only

Hearing Aids

Hear Now

9745 E. Hamden Ave.

Denver, CO 80231

This non-profit organization distributes reconditioned behind-the-ear hearing aids

Holiday Cards

St. Jude's Ranch for Children

P.O. Box 60100

Boulder City, NV 89006

This organization reuses holiday, birthday, get well and general cards. Send card fronts only.

Household Hazardous Waste

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program

Locations in Hayward, Livermore & Oakland

800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460

Free drop-off: paint, household cleaners, solvents, auto & household batteries, motor oil & filters, antifreeze, pesticides, fluorescent bulbs and ballasts.

Businesses located in Alameda County that generate quantities less than 220 lbs. or 27 gallons of all kinds of Hazardous waste per month, and less than 2.2 lbs. of extremely hazardous waste per month, may participate.

Altamont Landfill

10840 Altamont Pass Rd.

Livermore

925-449-6349

Fee: asbestos, railroad ties, treated wood, contaminated soils

Fremont/TriCities Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

7010 Auto Mall Parkway

510-624-5900

Drop-off: antifreeze, motor oil, motor oil filters, latex paint, household & automotive batteries; Fremont, Newark, Union City residents only

Materials Exchange

Materials exchange outlets are places to donate or find useful items. The possibilities are endless...building materials, lumber, sinks, hardware, remnants, wallpaper, tapes, computers, tools...the list goes on. See page 10

Mattresses & Box Springs - Reuse

Estates Mattress Company

730 - 45th Ave.

Oakland

510-534-6585

Drop-off: single/full-size, including box springs

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Full Gospel Mission Ministry Thrift Shops

Hayward

510-537-7338

Drop-off: reusable condition

Pickup: call for appointment

Goodwill Industries

Call 510-534-6666 for nearest location.

Drop-off: reusable condition

Pickup: call for appointment

SAVE, Inc.

38218-D Glenmoor Dr.

Fremont

510-794-6056

Drop-off: reusable condition

Salvation Army

601 Webster St.

Oakland

510-451-4510

Drop-off: reusable condition

Pickup: call for appointment



St. Vincent de Paul

Call 510-638-7600 for nearest location.

Drop-off: reusable condition
Pickup: call for appointment

Urban Ore - Salvage and Recycling Division

1333 - 6th St.

Berkeley

510-559-4451

Drop-off: mattresses & box springs

Medical Surplus

RACORSE Network

Oakland

510-251-CARE (2273)

Pickup: surplus hospital/medical supplies and equipment & surplus home health care supplies



Milk Cartons/ Drink Boxes

Many curbside recycling programs in Alameda County collect drink boxes.

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.

Milpitas

408-262-1401

Drop-off

Motor Oil/Filters

Many curbside recycling programs in Alameda County collect motor oil.

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program

800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460

Drop-off: oil & filters; call for appointment

Art's Automotive

2871 San Pablo Ave.

Berkeley

510-540-7093

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Auto Tech

6008 Dougherty Rd.

Dublin

925-829-9300

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.

Milpitas

408-262-1401

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Berkeley Transfer Station

1201 Second St.

Berkeley

510-644-8894

Drop-off: oil & filters

Chevron

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Commercial Filter Recycling

33210 Western Ave.

Union City

510-487-9277

Drop-off: 5 gallons and 1 filter/day

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.

San Leandro

510-638-2303

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Evergreen Environmental

800-972-5284

Pickup: including filters; commercial accounts only

Exxon

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Firestone Store

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Fremont/TriCities Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

7010 Auto Mall Parkway

Fremont

510-624-5900

Drop-off: Fremont, Newark, Union City residents only

Grand Auto

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Jiffy Lube

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Kragen Auto Parts

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Livermore Fire Station #6

4550 East Ave.

Livermore

925-454-2362

Buyback: 5 gallon maximum



Oceanworks

2703 Tenth St.

Berkeley

510-849-1383

Drop-off: oil, oil filters, antifreeze

Oil Changers

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Pep Boys

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Pick Your Part

2557 W. Winton Ave.

Hayward

510-785-3770

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Q Lube

6305 Jarvis Ave.

Newark

510-713-7627

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum; oil filters

Motor Oil

- If all used motor oil was recycled, it would result in savings of 1.3 million barrels of oil per day.
- When used motor oil is poured into the ground, it can seep into the groundwater and contaminate drinking water supplies. A single quart of motor oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of drinking water.

Quality Tune-up

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Safety Clean

Oakland

510-832-7942

Pickup: oil and filters;
commercial accounts only

Speedee Oil Change & Tune

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: 5 gallon maximum

Steve's Exxon Service

2991 Hopyard Rd.

Pleasanton

925-462-5858

Drop-off: 5 gallons and 1 filter/day

Unocal 76

47011 Warm Springs Blvd.

Fremont

510-657-3575

Drop-off

Packaging - Reuse

Many packaging/shipping services will accept packing "peanuts," cardboard boxes and bubble wrap for reuse. See "Mail Receiving & Forwarding Service" in the telephone directory.

F P International

Redwood City

800-866-9946

Drop-off: "peanuts," blocks,
Pickup: blocks, "peanuts";
commercial accounts only

Handle With Care

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: "peanuts" only

Mail Boxes Etc.

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: "peanuts"; some take
china pack and bubble wrap

MailBox Express

1291 Hays St.

San Leandro

510-352-8010

Drop-off: "peanuts," moving
boxes, bubble wrap

Mercury Moving

1780 Shattuck Ave.

Berkeley

510-843-9004

Drop-off: cardboard moving boxes

The Packaging Store

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: "peanuts" only

Plastic Loose Fill Council

Oakland

800-828-2214

Call for nearest drop-off location
for "peanuts"

Postal Annex Plus

2425-B Channing Way

Berkeley

510-548-4680

Drop-off: "peanuts" only

Strapack Corporation

30860 San Clemente St.

Hayward

510-475-6000

Drop-off: "peanuts" only

Padding - Carpet/Foam

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.

Milpitas

408-262-1401

Drop-off

Bob's Foam Factory

4055 Pestana Pl.

Fremont

510-657-2420

Buyback: call for details
polyurethane, no carpet padding

Danny's Padding & Foam Recycling

Santa Clara

408-492-9033

Buyback

Pickup: call for details

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.

San Leandro

510-638-2303

Drop-off: foam carpet padding

Foamex

Hayward

510-429-3225

Pickup: call for details
polyurethane scraps

Habitat for Humanity

2619 Broadway

Oakland

510-251-6304

Drop-off: reusable carpet padding
Pickup: call for details

Urban Ore - Salvage & Recycling Division

1333 - 6th St.

Berkeley

510-559-4451

Drop-off: foam carpet pads &
polyurethane

Paint

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program

800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460

Drop-off: including empty paint
cans; call for appointment

Fremont/Tri Cities Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

7010 Auto Mall Parkway

Fremont

510-624-5900

Drop-off: Fremont, Newark, Union
City residents only

Safety Clean

Oakland

510-832-7942

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Pallets - Reuse & Scrap

American Pallet Recyclers

9039 San Leandro

Oakland

510-635-8108

Dropoff

Buyback

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Industrial Pallet

31266 Veasy St.

Union City

510-489-4050

Buyback

Pickup: commercial accounts only

JJJ Pallets

2493 Dunn Rd.

Hayward

510-785-5814

Buyback

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Larson Pallet Company

1000 Yosemite Dr.

Milpitas

408-946-4971

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Mission Pallet Company

2000 Diesel St.

Oakland

510-261-0994

Buyback: commercial accounts only

Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

R. H. Wood Products, Inc.

Newark

510-794-6676

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Waste Management Collection & Recycling

1900 W. Winton Ave.

Hayward

510-264-1900

Fee: untreated scrap

Pickup: commercial accounts only

West Coast Pallet Co

41075 Railroad Ave.

Fremont

510-656-8497

Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Paper

All curbside recycling programs in Alameda County collect newspaper and cardboard. Most also collect magazines, phone books, cracker boxes, white and mixed paper.

20/20 Recycling Centers

Call 800-883-2274 for nearest location.

Drop-off: newspaper



BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.

Milpitas

408-262-1401

Buyback: call for current prices and materials

Drop-off: magazines, phone books, mixed

California Waste Solutions

1820 - 10th St.

Oakland

510-836-6200

Buyback: call for current prices and materials

Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Community Conservation

M.L. King Jr. Way & Dwight Way

Berkeley

Drop-off site only

Drop-off: phone books, soft cover books, mixed

Community Conservation

2nd St. & Gilman St.

Berkeley

510-524-5355

Buyback: call for current prices and materials

Drop-off: including phone books, soft cover books

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.

San Leandro

510-638-2303

Buyback

Drop-off: mixed, catalogues, phone books, soft cover books, magazines

Dorn Recyclers

Livermore

925-449-9328

Pickup: commercial accounts only

EBCC Merritt College Recycling

12500 Campus Dr.

Oakland

510-891-3934

Drop-off: newspaper, cardboard, magazines, catalogues, phone books

East Bay Resources

2430 Willow St.

Oakland

510-419-0293

Buyback: call for current prices

Drop-off

HRG Recycling

Hayward

510-881-2616

Pickup: commercial accounts only

KMC, Inc.

2505 Poplar St.

Oakland

510-835-3537

Buyback: call for current prices

Drop-off: magazines, catalogues, cardboard, hard and soft cover books

National Recycling Corp.

1312 Kirkham St.

Oakland

510-268-1022

Buyback: call for current prices

Drop-off: magazines, catalogues, phone books, soft cover books

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Paper

- Americans throw away enough wood and paper every year to heat five million homes for 200 years.
- About 50% of paper in the US is used solely for packaging.
- One third of America's garbage is packaging that is immediately thrown away.
- The largest single source of waste paper collected for recycling is corrugated boxes.
- Recycling one ton of cardboard saves over 9 cubic yards of landfill space.

Northern California Pulp & Paper

2085 Wayne Ave.

San Leandro

510-483-3255

Drop-off: all grades including phone books, hard and soft cover books

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Paper Recovery of Northern California

2361 Davis Ave.

Hayward

510-785-7311

Buyback: white, computer, mixed, colored ledger, hard and soft cover books

Fee: newspaper, cardboard

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycle Trucking

Fremont

510-490-9463

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycled Fibers

6565-B Smith Ave.

Newark

510-795-7228

Buyback: call for current prices

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycling & Resource Recovery System

3110 Busch Rd.

Pleasanton

925-846-2042

Buyback: call for current prices

Drop-off: phone books, magazines

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycling Works

30509 San Antonio St.

Hayward

510-441-8150

Buyback: call for current prices

Pickup: commercial accounts only

St. Vincent de Paul

See phone book for nearest location.

Drop-off: newspaper

San Leandro Recycling Center

1990 Marina Blvd.

San Leandro

510-483-7084

Buyback: cardboard

Drop-off: including phone books, soft cover books

San Leandro Recycling

San Leandro

510-357-7282

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Secondary Fibre

Union City

510-487-4995

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Smurfit Recycling Co.

Oakland

510-428-9499

Buyback: call for current prices

Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

The Sutta Company

1221 - 3rd St.

Oakland

510-873-8777

Buyback

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Tri-CED Community Recycling

33377 Western Ave.

Union City

510-471-3850

Buyback

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Tri Cities Waste Management

7010 Auto Mall Parkway

Fremont

800-442-5606

Drop-off

Vasco Road Landfill & Recycling Dropoff

4001 N. Vasco Rd.

Livermore

925-447-0497

Drop-off: including phone books

Weyerhaeuser Paper

42305 Albrae St.

Fremont

510-490-5887

Buyback: call for current prices

Drop-off: cereal boxes, mixed,

magazines, catalogues, phone

books, hard and soft cover books

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Pesticides

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program

800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460

Drop-off: call for appointment

Photo Chemicals

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Program

800-606-6606 or 510-670-6460

Drop-off: call for appointment

Safety Clean

Oakland

510-832-7942

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Plastic Bags

See Grocery Bags, page 26

Plastic

Most curbside recycling programs in Alameda County collect PET (#1) and HDPE (#2) bottles. Some also collect narrow neck bottles (#1-#7).

20/20 Recycling Center

Call 800-883-2274 for nearest location.

Buyback: PET (CRV) only

Drop-off: PET (non-CRV)

Aaron Metals Company

750 - 105th Ave.
Oakland
510-569-6767
Buyback

Alco Iron & Metal Company

2350 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-562-1107
Buyback: scrap metals

Alliance Metals

3426 Peralta St.
Oakland
510-547-2408
Buyback: PET

Amigo Bags

Oakland
510-535-2455
Pickup
Buyback: commercial accounts only, HDPE, LDPE, PP, film, buckets, bags

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.
Milpitas
408-262-1401
Buyback: PET
Drop-off: HDPE

Bay Polymer Corporation

Fremont
510-490-1791
Pickup: most types;
commercial accounts only

Plastic

- The plastic used in one toner cartridge contains about a half quart of oil.
- Plastics in our oceans kill around one million seabirds and 100,000 marine mammals each year.
- If the Pilgrims had 6-packs, we'd still have the plastic rings from them today.
- Theoretically, any type of plastic can be recycled, but any material isn't recyclable unless there is a market to recycle it.

California Waste Solutions

1820 10th St.
Oakland
510-836-6200
Buyback: PET (CRV) only
Drop-off: PET & HDPE containers
Pickup: commercial accounts only



Community Conservation

M. L. King Jr. Way & Dwight Way
Berkeley
Drop-off site only
Drop-off: PET, HDPE

Community Conservation

2nd St. & Gilman St.
Berkeley
510-524-5355
Buyback: PET (CRV) only
Drop-off: PET, HDPE-translucent

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Buyback: PET (CRV)
Drop-off: PET, HDPE, narrow neck bottles, buckets

Dorn Recyclers

Livermore
925-449-9328
Pickup: commercial accounts only

EBCC Merritt College Recycling

12500 Campus Dr.
Oakland
510-891-3934
Drop-off: PET, HDPE

G.B. Industrial

Union City
510-489-5172
Pickup: rigid plastics, #2 & 4 film, #5, #6, #7, ABS; commercial accounts only

Goodwill Industries

Call **510-534-6666** for nearest location.
Buyback: PET (CRV) only

HRG Recycling

Hayward
510-881-2616
Pickup: most types;
commercial accounts only

KMC, Inc.

2505 Poplar St.
Oakland
510-835-3537
Buyback: CRV, HDPE Jugs

MBA Polymers, Inc.

500 West Ohio Ave.
Richmond
510-231-9031
Pickup: specialty plastics;
commercial accounts only

Multi-Material Management & Marketing

Oakland
510-763-0101
Buyback: call for current prices
Pick-up: large quantities only

National Recycling Corp.

1312 Kirkham St.
Oakland
510-268-1022
Buyback: PET (CRV) only
Drop-off: PET, HDPE
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycling & Resource Recovery System

3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton
925-846-2042
Buyback: PET (CRV)
Drop-off: HDPE

Refund Recycling

2680 Old First St.
Livermore
925-606-1435
Buyback: PET (CRV) only

Reynolds Aluminum Recycling
Call 800-228-2525 for nearest location.

Buyback: PET (CRV) only

San Leandro Community Recycling

1990 Marina Blvd.
San Leandro

510-483-7084

Drop-off: PET, HDPE

Sims - LMC Recyclers

30104 Industrial Pkwy., S.W.
Hayward

510-471-6600

Buyback: PET (CRV) only

Smurfit Recycling Co.

3300 Wood St.
Oakland

510-428-9499

Buyback: PET

Drop-off: narrow neck bottles,

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Tri-CED Community Recycling

33377 Western Ave.
Union City

510-471-3850

Buyback: PET, HDPE

Tri Cities Waste Management

7010 Auto Mall Parkway
Fremont

800-442-5606

Drop-off: PET

Vasco Road Landfill & Recycling Dropoff

4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore

925-447-0497

Drop-off: PET, HDPE, narrow neck bottles

WeisCo

Danville

925-743-8193

Pickup: all types (#1-7); commercial accounts only

Western Strategic Materials

6565 Smith Ave.
Newark

510-791-6980

Buyback: PET (CRV)

Plate Glass/ Non-Container

Recycled Glassworks

Oakland

510-533-0573

Drop-off: small quantities

Western Strategic Materials

6565 Smith Ave.
Newark

510-791-6980

Buyback

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Polystyrene/ Styrofoam Packing "Peanuts"

See Packaging, page 29

F P International

Redwood City

800-866-9946

Drop-off: "peanuts," blocks

Pickup: blocks, "peanuts"; commercial accounts only

Marko Foam

2898 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward

510-782-3011

Drop-off: blocks only

Plastic Loose Fill Council

Oakland

800-828-2214

Drop-off: call for recorded message of locations

Scrap Metals

All curbside recycling programs in Alameda County collect metal food containers.

Aaron Metals Company

750 - 105th Ave.
Oakland

510-569-6767

Buyback: scrap metals

Alco Iron & Metal Company

2350 Davis St.
San Leandro

510-562-1107

Buyback: scrap metals

Alliance Metals

3426 Peralta St.
Oakland

510-547-2408

Buyback: scrap metals

Pickup: commercial accounts only

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.
Milpitas

408-262-1401

Drop-off: scrap metals

Berkeley Transfer Station

1201 Second St.
Berkeley

510-644-8894

Fee

Community Conservation

2nd St & Gilman
Berkeley

510-524-5355

Drop-off: scrap metals, tin

C.U.R.A.

4510 Peralta Blvd. #1
Fremont

510-713-3213

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Custom Alloy Scrap, Inc.

2730 Peralta St.
Oakland

510-893-6476

Buyback: scrap metals

Pickup: commercial accounts only

D C Metals

335 Mandella Parkway
Oakland

510-836-1655

Buyback: scrap metals, tin

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro

510-638-2303

Drop-off: scrap metals, empty aerosol and paint cans

Dorn Recyclers

Livermore

925-449-9328

Pickup: commercial accounts only

EBCC Merritt College Recycling

12500 Campus Dr.
Oakland
510-891-3934
Drop-off: tin only

Fry's Machinery & Metals

1845 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-276-4344
Buyback: scrap metals
Pickup: commercial accounts only

HRG Recycling

Hayward
510-881-2616
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Lakeside Non-Ferrous Metals

412 Madison St.
Oakland
510-444-5466
Buyback: non-ferrous metals only

Livermore Glass

2136 Railroad Ave.
Livermore
925-447-6411
Drop-off: aluminum scrap

Nica Metals

101 N. Greenville Rd.
Livermore
925-443-6422
Buyback

Recycle Trucking

Fremont
510-792-9463
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Recycling & Resource Recovery System

3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton
925-846-2042
Fee: scrap metal

San Leandro Recycling

San Leandro
510-357-7282
Pickup: commercial accounts only

San Leandro Community Recycling

1990 Marina Blvd.
San Leandro
510-483-7084
Drop-off: scrap metal, tin cans

San Ramon Recycling Center

2231 Omega Rd.
San Ramon
925-743-0903
Drop-off

Schnitzer Steel

1101 Embarcadero West
Oakland
510-444-3919
Buyback: scrap ferrous metals

Sims - LMC Recyclers

30104 Industrial Pkwy., S.W.
Hayward
510-471-6600
Buyback: scrap

Standard Iron & Metal Co.

801 69th Ave.
Oakland
510-638-6576
Buyback: scrap metals

Tri-CED Community Recycling

33377 Western Ave.
Union City
510-471-3850
Buyback: scrap metals

Vasco Road Landfill & Recycling Drop-off

4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Drop-off: tin only
Fee: scrap metal

W. C. Rose

2399 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-569-2255
Buyback: scrap metals

Western Strategic Materials

6565 Smith Ave.
Newark
510-791-6980
Buyback: scrap metals

Sinks/Toilets

A Bygone Era

697 - 5th St.
Oakland
510-444-5209
Buyback: vintage items, pre-1950s bathroom fixtures, hardware, marble/tile, ironwork, tubs, sinks
Drop-off
Pickup: call for appointment

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Fee

La Vista Quarry

28814 Mission Blvd.
Hayward
510-538-5082
Drop-off: toilets/sinks with hardware removed



Sporting Goods - Reuse

Play It Again Sports

See phone book for nearest location.
Buyback: call for details

Wilderness Exchange

1407 San Pablo Ave.
Berkeley
510-525-1255
Drop-off
Buyback: camping, back packing, cross county skiing and rock climbing equipment

Scrap Metal

- Recycling steel and tin cans saves 74% of the energy used to produce them from raw materials.
- If tin cans were really made of tin, you could crush them with your hand.
- The U.S. recycled enough copper in 1989 to supply the plumbing and wiring for every building constructed in the country that year.

Telephone Directories

Many curbside recycling programs collect telephone directories along with other paper products.

BFI - The Recyclery

1601 Dixon Landing Rd.
Milpitas
408-262-1401
Drop-off

California Waste Solutions

1820 - 10th St.
Oakland
510-836-6200
Drop-off

Community Conservation

2nd St & Gilman St.
Berkeley
510-524-5355
Drop-off

Community Conservation

M. L. King Jr. Way & Dwight Way
Berkeley
Drop-off site only

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Drop-off

EBCC Merritt College Recycling

12500 Campus Dr.
Oakland
510-891-3934
Drop-off

East Bay Resources

2430 Willow St.
Oakland
510-419-0293
Drop-off

National Recycling Corporation

1312 Kirkham St.
Oakland
510-268-1022
Drop-off

Northern Cal Pulp & Paper

2085 Wayne Ave.
San Leandro
510-483-3255
Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Paper Recovery of Northern California

2361 Davis Ave.
Hayward
510-785-7311

Pickup: commercial accounts only
Drop-off

San Ramon Recycling Center

2231 Omega Rd.
San Ramon
925-743-0903
Drop-off

Tri-CED Community Recycling

33377 Western Ave.
Union City
510-471-3850
Drop-off

Pickup: commercial accounts only

Vasco Road Landfill & Recycling Dropoff

4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Drop-off

Weyerhaeuser Paper

42305 Albrae St.
Fremont
510-490-5887
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Tires

Most tire shops will accept small quantities for a fee.

Tires

- People in the U.S. throw out about 200 million tires every year.

Berkeley Transfer Station

1201 Second St.
Berkeley
510-644-8894
Fee

Big "O" Tire Stores

See phone book for nearest location.
Fee

Bruce's Tire, Inc.

240 Hegenberger Rd.
Oakland
510-568-2120
Fee

Davis St. SMaRT

2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Fee

Firestone Store

See phone book for nearest location.
Fee

Mark Morris Tires

See phone book for nearest location.
Fee

Oxford Tire Recycling

800-992-3553
Fee
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Pleasanton Transfer Station

3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton
925-846-2042
Fee

Sears Automotive

See phone book for nearest location.
Fee

Total Tire Recycling

800-696-6442
Pickup: minimum of 50 tires

Toilets

See Sinks, page 34

Toner Cartridges

American Ink Products Co.

630 E. 10th St.
Oakland
510-268-0825
Buyback

Give Something Back Foundation

7303-D Edgewater Dr.
Oakland
510-635-5500
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Laser & Copier Professionals
Berkeley
510-649-8000
Drop-off
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Laser Cartridge International
El Cerrito
800-771-7001
Pickup

Laser Quest
Livermore
800-273-3953
Pickup

Laser's Choice
Hayward
510-783-9999
Buyback
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Lasertron Recycled Toner Cartridges
Oakland
510-839-4112
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Tools - Reuse

Berkeley Tool Lending Library
1901 Russell St.
Berkeley
510-644-6101
Drop-off: donation of good condition tools

Tools Tools Tools
1511 San Pablo Ave.
Berkeley
510-528-5516
Buyback

Video Tapes

Ecomedia Recycling Center
800-359-4601
Drop-off or send tapes
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Software Recovery
Hayward
510-785-7311
Pickup: commercial accounts only
Drop-off

Wood & Yard Trimmings

Most programs in Alameda County collect yard trimmings at curbside. For information on composting at home, see page 9.

BFI - The Recyclery
1601 Dixon Landing Rd.
Milpitas
408-262-1401
Fee: untreated wood & yard trimmings



Berkeley Transfer Station
1201 Second St.
Berkeley
510-644-8894
Fee: untreated wood & yard trimmings

Davis St. SMaRT
2615 Davis St.
San Leandro
510-638-2303
Fee: untreated wood & yard trimmings

Dorn Recyclers
Livermore
925-449-9328
Pickup: untreated wood & yard trimmings; commercial accounts only

L & K Debris Box Service Inc.
33333 Western Ave.
Union City
510-441-9432
Pickup: untreated wood & yard trimmings; commercial accounts only

Pleasanton Transfer Station
3110 Busch Rd.
Pleasanton
925-846-2042
Fee: untreated wood & yard trimmings

San Leandro Recycling
San Leandro
510-357-7282
Pickup: commercial accounts only

San Ramon Recycling Center
2231 Omega Rd.
San Ramon
925-743-0903
Drop-off: small quantities

Vasco Road Landfill & Recycling Dropoff
4001 N. Vasco Rd.
Livermore
925-447-0497
Fee: untreated wood & yard trimmings

Waste Management Collection & Recycling
1900 W. Winton Ave.
Hayward
510-264-1900
Fee: untreated wood
Pickup: commercial accounts only

Weaver Industries
Livermore
800-242-8733
Fee: untreated wood & yard trimmings; commercial accounts only

Wood & Yard Trimmings

- Every year, Americans harvest as much grass from lawns as the Japanese harvest rice.
- Composting is an effective way to recycle yard trimmings and food scraps.
- One pound of red worms can consume half a pound of food scraps every day.
- There are a billion organisms in every gram of compost.