



# Summer 2025

## BURRTEC NEWS

### WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for the City of Grand Terrace Residents

#### Quarterly Mulch & Compost Giveaway

October 25 • December 20

Corner of Canal Street and Mt. Vernon Avenue

Bring your wheelbarrows, buckets, shovels, and gloves to the corner of Canal Street and Mt. Vernon Avenue.

While supplies last\*



#### Contact Information

##### Burrtec Waste Industries

5455 Industrial Parkway  
San Bernardino, CA 92407

##### Automated Payment Service

(888) 298-5161

##### Customer Service

(909) 889-1969

##### Hours of Operation

Monday-Friday  
8:00 am to 5:00 pm

##### Website

Burrtec.com

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**CITY OF GRAND TERRACE**

<http://www.grandterrace-ca.gov/>

#### Visit our Kids Corner at

<https://www.burrtec.com/kids-corner>  
for free kids activity sheets to download.



#### TIPS TO PREVENT FOOD WASTE AT HOME

- **Plan ahead:** Before you go to the grocery store or order out, check the fridge and pantry for food items that need to be cooked or that you already have and do not need to purchase.
- **Serve smart:** Aim to cook and serve the right portions for the number of people you are feeding.
- **Store food wisely:** Different foods require different conditions.
- **Check your fridge often:** Keep track of what you have and what needs to be used. Eat or freeze items before you need to throw them away.
- **Use your freezer:** Your freezer can help save food and time.

#### Holiday Schedule - No service on these holidays

Thanksgiving Day		Christmas Day		New Year's Day
Memorial Day		Independence Day		Labor Day

When the holiday falls on a weekday, collections for the remainder of the week will be delayed by one day. There is no service interruption or delay when the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday.



#### Did You Know?

*California has collected 502 billion bottles and cans for recycling.*

- Source: [cdfa.ca.gov](http://cdfa.ca.gov)

## It's Cool to Reuse for School

With the school year upon us, reusing materials is good for your wallet and the environment. Here are a few ways to reuse and collect items throughout the year.

**School Supplies:** Many students leave school supplies in their lockers at the end of the year or dispose of them at home. Instead of throwing these items away, regularly collect them for a community sale or donation drive. Some of these materials can be very useful to others.

**Books:** Instead of tossing your old books, consider establishing a book exchange in your school or community. You may also consider donating used books to a library, nursing home, or other organization that might want them.

**Art Supplies:** Organize a collection of art supplies to use at school, to exchange among interested students, or to donate to a needy organization such as a homeless shelter for families and children.

**Sports Equipment:** You can collect unwanted or unused sports equipment to exchange within a school, for reuse in different schools, or to raise money for charities.

**Special Occasion Items:** Consider an annual prom dress exchange or donation drive. Collect once-worn dresses and donate them to interested schools and organizations.



Tear off here, save and place on your fridge!

## Free Bulky Item Pick-Ups

Are you replacing an old sofa, water heater or refrigerator and don't know what to do with it? We'll take care of it. Residents can request up to two curbside collections of large or bulky items during a 12 month period. Limit of five items per collection. Please call our Customer Service Department at (909) 889-1969 one week prior to your scheduled collection day to arrange pick-up.

*Note: DO NOT PLACE ITEMS ON THE STREET. Place items ON the curb ONLY when Burrtec confirms your appointment. Items ON THE STREET WILL become eligible for code citations!*



## Windy Day Advisory



Weather conditions cause problems with the collection of trash and recyclables. Containers frequently tip over, causing spillage and materials to get strewn throughout streets and neighborhoods. In an effort to assist in the prevention of these situations, the following are suggestions:

- Bag and tie trash and/or recyclables before placing in barrels – This will make clean-up efforts easier should the barrels blow over.
- Avoid placing trash and/or recycling out on windy days – If possible, do not set your trash or recyclables out for collection on windy days. Bag any excessive trash and recyclables that will not fit in your barrel and Burrtec will collect all accumulated bags along with your containers on your next scheduled collection day.

Thank you for your assistance in keeping your neighborhoods clean.

## REMINDER: RECYCLE RIGHT!

Tear off and keep handy to recycle right!

## WHAT GOES WHERE?

**Black Barrel** is for trash



**Blue Barrel** is for recyclables



**Green Barrel** is for green waste & bagged food waste



**Reminder! Place your bagged food waste in your green barrel!**

**BAG TRASH - DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

### BLACK BARREL GUIDE

#### YES

- ✓ Clothing
- ✓ Diapers
- ✓ Dishware
- ✓ Hoses
- ✓ Flower pots
- ✓ Paper towels
- ✓ Pet waste
- ✓ Pizza boxes
- ✓ Plastic bags
- ✓ Plastic toys
- ✓ Plastic utensils
- ✓ Shrink wrap
- ✓ Soiled paper
- ✓ Straws
- ✓ Wipes

#### NO

- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Hot ashes
- ✗ Infectious waste
- ✗ Flammables
- ✗ Fluorescent bulbs
- ✗ Machinery
- ✗ Paint
- ✗ Pesticides
- ✗ Oil
- ✗ Sharps
- ✗ Tires

**DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES**

### BLUE BARREL GUIDE

#### YES

- ✓ Aerosol cans
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Cartons
- ✓ Computer paper
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Glass bottles & jars
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Magazines
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Paper
- ✓ #1 - #7 Plastics
- ✓ Tin cans
- ✓ Tissue boxes
- ✓ Wrapping paper

#### NO

- ✗ Bubble wrap
- ✗ Carpet
- ✗ Clothing
- ✗ Dishware
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Furniture
- ✗ Fluorescent bulbs
- ✗ Hoses
- ✗ Mirrors
- ✗ Pet food bags
- ✗ Pizza boxes
- ✗ Plastic play pools
- ✗ Plastic toys
- ✗ Stuffed animals

**BAG FOOD WASTE - DO NOT BAG GREEN WASTE**

### GREEN BARREL GUIDE

#### YES

- ✓ Bagged food waste including food soiled paper
- ✓ Birds of Paradise
- ✓ Brush
- ✓ Dead plants
- ✓ Flowers
- ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Prunings
- ✓ Shrub trimmings
- ✓ Small branches
- ✓ Twigs
- ✓ Untreated wood
- ✓ Weeds

#### NO

- ✗ Animal waste
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Cactus
- ✗ Concrete
- ✗ Dirt
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Flammables
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Liquids
- ✗ Metal
- ✗ Plastic
- ✗ Rocks