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# Winter 2022/2023 **BURRTEC NEWS** WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for Helendale CSD Residents

## **RESIDENTIAL FOOD WASTE DROP-OFF PROGRAM** Help reduce food waste in my community!



We are now all required to handle food waste differently. California Senate Bill 1383 mandates that we decrease the amount of food waste that goes to the landfill.

#### Do I need a bag?

Yes, you will need to put the food in a bag before you drop it in the bin. Please do not throw unbagged food in the bin.

#### What are the hours?

For the convenience of our residents the food waste drop off will be available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

#### Where do I bring my food waste?

A food waste bin will be located at the north end of the parking lot at the Community Center - 26540 Vista Rd.

#### For more information:

https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/ Call the CSD Office at 760-951-0006 x224

#### Brown Container is for food waste **BAG FOOD WASTE**

| YES                                                                           |                    | NO             |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|
| ✓ Bagged food                                                                 | ✓ Fruit            | × Animal waste | × Glass     |
| waste                                                                         | ✓ Meat             | × Batteries    | × Hazardous |
| ✓ Bread                                                                       | ✓ Moldy or spoiled | × Concrete     | waste       |
| ✓ Dairy                                                                       | food               | × Dirt         | × Liquids   |
| <ul> <li>✓ Food soiled pape<br/>(napkins, coffee<br/>filters etc.)</li> </ul> | er 🗸 Vegetables    | × Electronic   | × Metal     |
|                                                                               |                    | waste          | × Plastic   |
|                                                                               |                    | × Flammables   | × Rocks     |

### Holiday Schedule

Please note that services are interrupted on the following holidays: Memorial Day Independence Day Labor Dav

Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day\* \*Due to the 2022 Christmas and 2023 New Year's Day holidays on Sunday,

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there will be no service interruptions or delays during the holiday weeks.

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.

### **Contact Information**

**Burrtec Waste Industries** 17080 Stoddard Wells Road Victorville, CA 92394

**Automated Payment Service** (888) 298-5161

**Customer Service** (760) 245-8607

**Hours of Operation** Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website Burrtec.com



### **Christmas Tree** Recycling

Burrtec will collect and recycle Christmas trees from single-family residences. Please place your tree at curbside after Christmas on your collection day. Burrtec will provide this service for approximately a 2 week period after Christmas Day. Trees 6' and over need to be cut in half. Please take all ornaments. lights, and metal stands off of the tree. Flocked and Non-Flocked trees will be collected and recycled.



### **Holiday Waste** Reduction

This holiday season, choose to reduce your waste! Donate unwanted and usable toys, clothing, bikes and electronic items to local charities or bring them to the Helendale Thrift Store located at 26540 Vista Rd., Suite A. You can drop off your gently used items Monday – Saturday from 11 am -5 pm.

### **Collection Day Reminder**

On collection day, please place your containers in the street, at the curb, or near the corner of your driveway. Barrels should have the handles facing towards your home. Barrels should be placed 1 foot apart from each other. The barrels need to be placed at least 3 feet away from any obstruction such as a fence, mailbox, or vehicle.

#### All barrels must be curbside by 6:00 a.m. on your service day.





**Did You** 

**Know?** 

U.S. food waste is

estimated to be 30-

40% of the food supply

and Californians throw

away approximately

6 million tons of food waste annually.

- Source: cdfa.ca.gov

### Appliance Bulky Item Pick Up IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The proper way to dispose of refrigerators and certain appliances involves either taping the door shut or completely removing the door or the latching mechanism before placing the bulky item out for pick up.

Before disposing of large appliances, tape doors or remove doors and/or hinges on all large appliances to prevent entrance and entrapment by small children.

### **Help Keep Your Recycling Clean**

As of 2018, China, the largest market for the world's recycling materials, enforced the new "National Sword" policy. This policy banned numerous materials including several types of plastics, unsorted mixed paper and set strict standards for contamination levels. This policy has impacted recycling operations across the United States. Stakeholders are now faced with the challenges of processing recyclables that have little to no market value. Lowering the levels of contamination and understanding that certain materials may no longer be recyclable can help. We need your support. In order to continue pursuing alternative markets and help contain costs, please help lower the levels of contamination by only placing acceptable materials in your recycling container.

Sorted recycle bales are shipped to recycling manufacturing companies and made into new products. At the sorting line at the Material Recovery Facility (MRF), workers must remove any contaminants— this is an essential but also time-consuming step that can slow down the process. If any contaminants are missed in the sorting process, the finished recycle bales could be rejected by recycling manufacturers and, therefore, not acceptable to be recycled. Keeping your containers free of trash and non-recyclable contaminants will help reduce recycling costs. Spread the message, "Help keep your recycling clean!"

