## Spring 2023 THE COUNTY QUARTERLY WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for San Bernardino County Residents

#### Food Waste Recycling May Be Coming to Your Neighborhood Soon...

California passed a law requiring organics recycling in an effort to improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The State reports that organic waste (including food waste) that is placed in trash containers, collected and landfilled, decomposes in landfills and generates greenhouse gases contributing to global climate change.

In order to comply with this new law, the County has implemented a mandatory residential organic waste recycling collection program, that will require residents to separate and bag their food waste, then place it in their existing green waste container or in a new container that will be provided. Residents will no longer be allowed to place food waste or other types of organic waste in their trash barrels for collection.

Residents living within the San Bernardino County Unincorporated areas may be required to participate in this program.

Additional information will follow, including program start dates and participating areas.



# Service Interruptions due to inclement weather or road closures

Burrtec makes every effort to collect your trash on your scheduled day. However, on some days we can expect roads to be impassible due to inclement weather conditions or road closures. During these days, if Burrtec has your email on file, an email will be distributed regarding collection delays. Also, updates will be made available via the Burrtec Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages. If you have additional questions about your collection day services, please contact our Customer Service Department and they will be happy to assist you.



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

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

#### **Contact Information**

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**Customer Service** (909) 889-1969

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

**Website** Burrtec.com



#### **Spring Cleaning Tips**

- ✓ Flatten cardboard boxes to create more room in your recycling barrel.
- Do not bag recyclable items.
- Utilize your bulky item pick-up services for e-waste and large items that do not fit in your trash barrel.
- ✓ No wipes down the pipes! Do not flush wipes or paper towels.
- Donate any unwanted items that are still in good condition. Remember that leaving donations outside of a closed center is illegal, and illegally dumped items could ultimately end up in the trash.



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#### Earth Day Everyday!

We can make Earth Day everyday through small changes that have a big impact. Make sure you are recycling correctly. Keep the Recycling List on your refrigerator for reference. Use reusable bags, instead of single use. Donate used clothes, home goods and small appliances to thrift stores or other charitable organizations that can reuse them. Start a backyard composting pile; this is an inexpensive way to make your own soil amendments for gardening and cuts down on the amount of food waste that goes into your trash barrel. Celebrate Earth by making a commitment to reduce waste, reuse materials and recycle all that can be recycled.



#### 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.





### Temporary Containers for Special Clean-Ups Available



Burrtec offers large and small containers for residential clean-ups and special projects. Containers are available for 7-day rentals and include delivery and removal. All unwanted materials can be placed directly into the container with the exception of hazardous waste, tires or large amounts of dirt, rock, concrete, or asphalt. Please call our Customer Service Department to order one today!

## Scavenging is Against the Law

Scavenging is the removal of recyclable materials placed at a designated location for the purpose of collection and recycling by an authorized agent.

- For your safety, do not confront the scavenger.
- Get a description of the person and a vehicle description including license plate.



• Report the crime by contacting local Law Enforcement.

#### **Collection Day Reminder**

On collection day, please place your containers on 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.

