# Spring 2025 THE COUNTY QUARTERLY WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for San Bernardino County Residents

### **Contact Information**

**Burrtec Waste Industries** 9820 Cherry Avenue Fontana, CA 92335 **Automated Payment Service** (888) 298-5161 **Customer Service** (909) 822-2397 **Hours of Operation** Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Follow us on Website () (i) (ii) (ii) (iii) ( Burrtec.com

# **Holiday Schedule**

No service on these holidays

Memorial Day | Independence Day Labor Day | Thanksgiving Day Christmas 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.



# Did You **Know?**

2.2 Billion gallons of used oil have been collected for recycling.

Source: CalRecycle.org



# **Bulky Item Pick-Up**

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 calendar year. Limit of five items per collection. This program also includes electronic waste. This program is at no additional cost and designed for your convenience. Please call our Customer Service Department one week prior to your scheduled collection day to arrange pick-up. This collection does not include concrete, rock, dirt or construction/ demolition materials.

### How to Safely Dispose of Sharps at HHW County Facilities

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY RESIDENTS can safely dispose of their used SHARPS in a 2 gallon or smaller, heavy-duty, plastic container as an alternative to plastic bio-hazard sharps containers at participating Household Hazardous Waste Collection facilities. Containers should only contain needles, lancets, and syringes with a needle attached that must be completely spent (no liquid remaining, including EpiPens).

#### **HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN CONTAINER:**

- Place sharps into an Approved Sharps Container or 2 gallon or smaller heavy-duty plastic container
- Do not use food product containers
- Must have a screw-top and puncture resistant lid
- Made of thick plastic
- 2 gallons or less
- Leak-resistant
- Remain upright when standing
- Place printed Bio-Hazard Label on both sides
- When 3/4 filled, secure lid, and tape the container closed

#### For more information and locations, call 1-800-Oily Cat (645-9228) or visit sbcfire.org/hhw





#### **DO NOT USE FOR SHARPS:**



**Print FREE labels by visiting** sbcfire.org/hhw Preprinted labels are available at HHW collection facilities

# **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.



# 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.



## 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!

## **Automated Bill Pay**

For your convenience, you can make a payment any day, anytime, using our **FREE** automated payment service. Simply dial (888) 298-5161, enter the last six digits of your account number and billing zip code, along with your credit card or check information. It's that easy!



## 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.



## **Household Hazardous Waste**

Many households generate hazardous waste that is dangerous or illegal to dispose of in the trash and can also be harmful to the environment. Here is a list of the following items that are considered hazardous waste and should be disposed at a HHW location. These services are FREE for San Bernardino County **residents only**.

Collection Facilities Will Accept Household Generated:

- Weed Killers, Cleaners, Gasoline, Antifreeze
- Wood Preservatives, Paints & Paint Products, Paint Thinner
- Auto & Furniture Polish, Chemical Drain Cleaners
- Pesticides & Fertilizers, Pool & Hobby Supplies
- Auto & Household Batteries
- Motor Oil, Oil Filters
- Electronic Waste Collection available throughout San Bernardino County. Call 1-800-Oily Cat for nearest location.
- Outdated Medications
- Sharps/Needles in approved container (not accepted at all locations)
- Mercury Thermostats

- Collection Facilities Will Not Accept:
- Business Wastes
- Wastes from Non-Profit Organizations
- Radioactives
- Explosives
  - Medical Waste
  - Asbestos
  - Refrigerant cylinders
  - Treated wood waste
  - Auto injectors
  - Reactive waste
  - High watt-hour Li-Ion batteries
  - Large compressed gas cylinders
  - Remediation, construction, and demolition waste
  - Large appliances (A/C, refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, etc.)

Collection Facilities - Call 909.382.5401 or 1.800.OILY CAT (645.9228) to verify operating hours prior to visiting a collection center.