



# Working for a Sustainable Tomorrow

City of Calabasas

Environmental Commission

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## Organic Recycling

### What is the Law?

- CA State Legislature passed the new law effective January 1, 2022.
- All residents, businesses and multi-family complexes must separate food and yard waste from the trash cart and recycle in an organics recycle cart.
- **The goal is to reduce organic materials going to landfills, decrease greenhouse gas emissions, and slow climate change.**



## ORGANIC WASTE IS THE LARGEST WASTE STREAM IN CALIFORNIA

- ▶ NEARLY **HALF OF ALL FOOD** IN THE U.S. GOES TO WASTE, AND ONLY ABOUT **5%** IS DIVERTED FROM LANDFILLS.
- ▶ IN 2022, CALIFORNIA DISPOSED OF APPROXIMATELY **27 MILLION TONS** OF ORGANIC WASTE



# What is Organic Waste?

Organic waste is any material that is biodegradable and comes from either a plant or an animal that can be broken into carbon dioxide, methane or simple organic molecules.

- **Food scraps**
  - ✓ Eggshells
  - ✓ Bones
  - ✓ Coffee grounds
  - ✓ Poultry & meat
  - ✓ Vegetables



- **Food-soiled paper**
  - ✓ Paper plates
  - ✓ Sandwich paper
  - ✓ Tea bags
  - ✓ Egg cartons
  - ✓ Paper towels

- **Yard trimmings**
  - ✓ Grass clippings
  - ✓ Leaves
  - ✓ Plants
  - ✓ Branches

# FOOD WASTE MAKE A CHANGE

Source Reduction or Food Waste Prevention is most preferred.

- ▶ Planning, prepping, and storing food can help your household waste less food.
- ▶ Buy only what you need and will use.
- ▶ Freeze, preserve, or can surplus fruits and vegetables
- ▶ Prepare and cook perishable items, then freeze them for use throughout the month.

## Easy Tips to Prevent Food Waste At Home



The infographic shows a refrigerator with various food items stored in different sections. Callouts provide storage tips for each section:

- Inside Freezer:** Bread, meat, fruit, veggies, herbs, leftovers - and ice cream of course!
- Upper Shelves:** Ready-to-Eat Foods
- Middle Shelves:** Dairy Products (Milk, Eggs, Cheese)
- Lower Shelves:** Raw Proteins
- Side Doors:** Condiments and Nonperishable Drinks
- Maximize Your Food's Lifespan in the Fridge:** (General tip)
- Crisper (Low Humidity):** Apples, Pears, Avocados, Melons
- Crisper (High Humidity):** Lettuce, Broccoli, Cucumbers, Peppers, Squash

- **Keep fruits & veggies separate.** Fruits release ethylene which causes veggies to spoil.
- **Pack veggies loosely allowing air access.** The closer they are, the quicker they spoil.
- **Don't mix leafy greens with root veggies.** They'll last longer when stored in different drawers.

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# Recycling Food Waste at Home



## How do I recycle my foodwaste?

You can easily recycle food waste in your existing **organics recycling** cart. Please make sure you bag your food waste before tossing it in the container.

## Tip:

Plastic bags don't have to be biodegradable or compostable for storing food scraps.





# ORGANICS



**DO NOT INCLUDE:**  
LOOSE PLASTIC BAGS  
SERVEWARE/UTENSILS  
PLASTIC CONTAINERS  
FOAM CONTAINERS  
HAZARDOUS WASTE

Ensure food scraps are placed in a plastic bag or paper bag before placing in your organics cart.



# RECYCLING



**DO NOT INCLUDE:**  
LOOSE PLASTIC BAGS  
FOAM CONTAINERS  
CLOTHING, FURNITURE,  
CARPET  
HAZARDOUS WASTE

Place recyclable materials directly into your organics cart.  
**Do not bag.**



# TRASH



**DO NOT INCLUDE:**  
HAZARDOUS WASTE  
ELECTRONICS  
BATTERIES, TIRES OR  
PAINT  
FLAMMABLE MATERIAL







# FREE YOUR RECYCLABLES.

No plastic bags.

Put items directly into your recycling container.



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RECYCLE RIGHT.

For more information, visit:

[RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com](http://RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com)

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# Did you know?



Residents of Calabasas receive (3) Bulky item pick-ups per calendar year with up to (4) household items or up to (20) plastic trash bags or (10) Bundles of Greenwaste per collection event. (Bundled no more than 4' long and 18" in diameter)



Food Waste Recycling Pails are available to residents of Calabasas, please call **800.675.1171** to arrange your personal delivery.



WM offers Christmas Tree Recycling at no additional cost.



At Your Door  
Special Collection

## HOME COLLECTION SERVICE FOR PAINTS, GARDEN CHEMICALS, HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS, ELECTRONICS AND MORE



Waste Management offers a convenient service in your community to collect the following materials from your home. Simply schedule a home collection appointment through the At Your Door Special Collection\* service. It's easy and convenient to properly dispose of these items.

For a complete list of acceptable items, program guidelines and to schedule a home collection:

Go to [WWW.WMATYOURDOOR.COM](http://WWW.WMATYOURDOOR.COM)

Call 1-800-449-7587



### AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS

Antifreeze, batteries, fluids, waxes, motor oil, oil filters, fuels, upholstery cleaner, gasoline and more



### GARDEN CHEMICALS

Fertilizers, insect sprays, herbicides, pesticides, and weed killers



### PAINT PRODUCTS

Paint, glue, caulk, spray paint, stripper, stain, thinner, wood preservative and more



### HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS

Ammonia, bleach, heavy-duty cleansers, shower/tile cleaner, drain cleaner, rust remover, and more



### ELECTRONICS

Computers, monitors, TVs, keyboards, DVD/CD players, cell phones, gaming consoles, microwaves, tape players, VCRs, desktop printers, fax machines, gaming consoles



### MERCURY CONTAINING ITEMS

Compact fluorescent lamps, fluorescent tubes, thermometers, and more



### SWIMMING POOL CHEMICALS

Tablets and liquids



# Thank you.

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