



UNION CITY RESIDENTIAL RECYCLE, COMPOST & LANDFILL NEWS



WINTER 2023 NEWSLETTER

This is a newsletter regarding your recycling, compost, and landfill services. Contact us at **510.657.3500** for more information on translation services, or if you have any other questions. Este es un boletín informativo sobre sus servicios de reciclaje, compost y basura. Comuníquese con nosotros al **510.657.3500** para obtener más información sobre los servicios de traducción o si tiene alguna otra pregunta.

Republic Services of Alameda County
42600 Boyce Road, Fremont, CA 94538
510.657.3500 | RepublicServicesAC.com



Tri-CED Community Recycling
33377 Western Avenue, Union City, CA 94587
510.429.8030 | Tri-CED.org



Recycle and Compost Right in 2023


Recycling and composting properly are not only required by California law (Senate Bill 1383), but these practices also help keep our environment clean, cut down on pollution, conserve natural resources and benefit our economy. It's important we all do our part. As we start a new year, it's a good idea to remind ourselves how to recycle and compost the right way.

Proper sorting makes a difference! When prohibited items are placed in the recycle and compost carts, this can taint an entire truckload of otherwise recyclable or compostable materials and cause valuable resources to be sent to the landfill. Learn what is accepted in the recycle, compost, and landfill collection program by reviewing this newsletter and visiting UnionCityRecycles.org, and resolve to compost and recycle right in 2023!


RECYCLE



YES

All clean cardboard, paper, glass, metal & plastics marked  are placed in the gray recycle cart.

NO

Plastic bags or containers labeled , hoses & wires, compostable materials, hazardous waste, pumpkins, and holiday tree lights.

COMPOST



YES

All food scraps, food-soiled paper, BPI-certified compostable products, all yard trimmings and untreated wood are placed in the green compost cart.

NO

Non-compostable plastics, personal hygiene products, treated wood, recyclable materials, household hazardous waste.

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Curbside Collection of Batteries, Cellphones, Used Motor Oil and Used Motor Oil Filters

If you live in a single-family home or townhouse with individual recycling cart service: Put loose batteries into a clear gallon-size zip-top bag and place next to your recycling cart on collection day. You can also call Tri-CED Community Recycling at **510.471.3850** to request a clear zip-top bag. For information on convenient battery and cellphone drop-off locations, visit: UnionCity.org/310/Electronic-Waste-and-Battery-Recycling.

Remember, safety first!

Please take special care with Lithium batteries. These batteries are stamped with "Lithium", "Li" or "Li-ion". Please tape over the ends of these batteries before recycling. If left uncovered, they can cause fires if they come in contact with other batteries.

Acceptable Batteries: AAA, AA, C, D, 9-Volt, Alkaline, Rechargeable, Lithium and Coin Cells, Small Button-Size Hearing Aid Cells

Prohibited: Car batteries are not accepted. Visit Resource.StopWaste.org for information on how to safely dispose of car batteries.

Used Motor Oil and Used Oil Filter Recycling

Containers for recycling used motor oil and used oil filters are available to Union City residents at no additional charge. Contact Tri-CED at **510.429.8030** to request a jug for used motor oil and a bag for used oil filters. You may place a maximum of two fully sealed, one-gallon jugs of used motor oil at the curb on your regular weekly collection day. Never mix used motor oil with any other automotive products or fluids.

Free Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Drop-Off Program

The Alameda County HHW Program also accepts a maximum of up to five gallons of used motor oil, used oil filters, anti-freeze, and batteries. When recycling a used oil filter, be sure to drain it before placing it in a leak-proof, tightly sealed plastic bag. Never mix used motor oil with any other automotive products or fluids. Visit StopWaste.org/HHW for more information.

Alameda County HHW Facility: Hayward

2091 West Winton Ave.,
Hayward, CA 94545
800.606.6606 or 510.670.6460

Fremont Recycling and Transfer Station

(operated by BLT Enterprises)
41149 Boyce Rd., Fremont, CA 94538
800.606.6606 or 510.252.0500



Union City 2023 Recycling Poster Contest

Make Earth Day Every Day!

Our activities impact one another, our planet, and future generations. That's why millions of Americans took to the streets in cities across the country on April 22, 1970, and launched the world's first Earth Day, a day of action to protect the environment. Simple actions applied daily can go a long way in building thriving, sustainable communities, so let's **Make Every Day Earth Day!** Visit UnionCityRecycles.org for more details about the Recycling Poster Contest.

Who May Enter

Any Union City student in grades K-12 who lives or attends school in Union City may enter.

One entry per student.

Poster Requirements

- Minimum: 8 1/2 x 11 inches.
Maximum: 11 x 17 inches.
- All mediums are accepted: Markers, crayons, water colors, colored pencils, etc. No digital art.
- Poster ideas: Concept and design should be related to waste reduction, recycling, composting, and environmental conservatism.
- Posters created by students must be their own original work.
- A complete Official Entry Form must be attached to every poster artwork entry. Official Entry Forms are available at UnionCityRecycles.org, City Hall, Holly Community Center, and Kennedy Community Center.

Entry Dates

Wednesday, February 1 @ 9 a.m. to
Wednesday, March 22 @ 2 p.m.

Entries may be delivered to the following locations between February 1 at 9 a.m. and March 22 at 2 p.m.:

- **City Hall, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Rd.**
- **Holly Community Center, 31600 Alvarado Blvd.**
- **Kennedy Community Center, 1333 Decoto Rd.**

Prize Categories

- Kindergarten
- Grades 1-2
- Grades 3-4
- Grades 5-6
- Grades 7-9



1st Place
\$50



2nd Place
\$30



3rd Place
\$15