

ZERO WASTE

Santa Cruz County
GreenWaste Recovery

News

A publication for County of Santa Cruz GreenWaste Recovery
Single-Family Residence Customers

Spring 2022

SHORT-LIVED CLIMATE POLLUTANTS LAW SB1383 NOW IN EFFECT

Across the State, we are working towards a 75% reduction in methane gas and a 20% increase in edible food recovery. Organic materials decomposing in the landfill create methane gas, and in order to reduce organic materials in the landfill, we need your help!

• **Universal Service Ordinance:**

Every single-family residence in the unincorporated County must subscribe to GreenWaste Recovery Service or sign up to be self-haulers. Self-haulers must separate organic waste, recycling and trash.

• **SB1383:**

Requires single-family homes collect and place food waste in their yard waste container. Shifting food waste from the landfill stream will help put carbon back into the soil to help prevent climate change. No bags or compostable to-go ware.



REDUCING WASTE AND LITTER

• **Skip the Stuff**

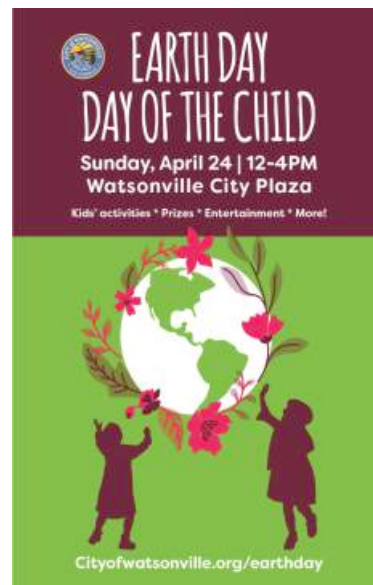
Effective March 1, 2022 take out condiments and utensils are only available "upon request"

• **Single-Use Cup Charge**

Starting July 1, 2022, all businesses that sell or give away disposables will be required to charge 25 cents for each cup

Skip the stuff! Bring your reusable napkin, utensils, to-go container, and cup!

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION



Watsonville City Plaza Sunday, April 24

A green future is a prosperous future, and together we must invest in our planet. Now is the time for unstoppable courage to preserve and protect our health, our families, and our livelihoods. It takes all of us in a partnership: Businesses, governments, and citizens.

Come learn and share knowledge about how we can do this together! Join us April 24, 2022 from 12-4pm at Watsonville City Plaza.



Remittance Address:

GreenWaste Recovery, P.O. Box 11089, San Jose, CA 95103-1089

We at GreenWaste "Think Differently" and appreciate your suggestions and comments. Please call us today and let us know how we are doing at (800) 665-2209 or (831) 426-2711, or visit us on the web at www.greenwaste.com



Report Illegal Dumping



We need your help!

Help be the eyes for the county and check out the items you can report to help keep Santa Cruz clean and caring with the "My Santa Cruz County" app. Please report any illegal dumping on public property so they don't become a "hot spot" for others to illegally dump.

GOT BULK?

Your residential service with GreenWaste Recovery includes three (3) bulky item pick-up (includes 2 cubic yards of reusable materials, five e-waste items, three appliances or bulky items) per year. Schedule your pickup with Customer Service at 831-426-2711 and for more information visit www.greenwaste.com/santa-cruz-county/

IT'S FREE TO DROP YOUR DRY MATTRESS
OFF AT BEN LOMOND TRANSFER STATION
OR BUENA VISTA LANDFILL 



HOLIDAY PICKUP SCHEDULE

GreenWaste Recovery will provide regular collection service on:
Memorial Day ~ Monday, May 30, 2022

Please set out your containers on your regular collection day by 5:00 AM.



RETHINKING THINGS

Can you help reduce the load on our landfill by rethinking things? Before you throw out an item, consider whether it can be repaired, repurposed, recycled, resold or donated.

- Offer items on the internet or donate to a local non-profit for others to enjoy
- Repurpose an item with paint, parts or sewing
- Want to fix it? Check out iFixit.com or repair.org
- Turn it into cash; hold a garage sale or sell it online
- If it can't be repurposed, donated or repaired, recycle it
- Reconsider buying items that can't be returned to the producer for proper recycling

