

MSS SPRING UPDATE

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Marin Sanitary Service Resource Conservation

EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY AT MARIN SANITARY SERVICE!

As we celebrate Earth Day, we wanted to highlight what Marin Sanitary Service is doing every day to conserve resources and protect our environment!

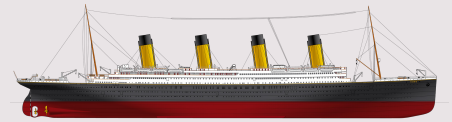
- When a garbage can is too cracked to repair, we recycle them and turn them into new cans!
- MSS continues to research new technologies including:
 - Optical sorting, which combines light, computer learning and air bursts to recover more materials.
 - Creating renewable, local energy from the materials we collect.
- MSS offsets our vehicle emissions over 15x by the materials we recover - well beyond Net-Zero!



MSS emissions are third-party verified and reported through The Climate Registry <https://cris4.org>.

Marin Sanitary Service recycled almost 53,000 tons of material collected last year.

That is equal to the weight of the Titanic!



California Reducing Methane Emissions

NEW COMPOSTING LAW TAKES AIM AT CLIMATE CHANGE.

California Senate Bill 1383 — the “Compost Law” — went into effect in January of 2022. SB 1383 requires every home, apartment complex and commercial business in California to divert their organic materials away from the landfill.

HOW DO YOU COMPLY WITH SB 1383? It's easy! Collect your compostables — food waste, yard waste and food-soiled paper — separately from all other waste and place it in your green compostables container for curbside collection.



KITCHEN PAIL TIPS

- Invest in a kitchen pail for collecting food waste. You can buy one online or just use a bowl that you already have.
- Empty your kitchen pail frequently.
- Line the pail with a brown paper bag. While we cannot accept biodegradable or compostable plastic bags/liners in compost, food-soiled paper is okay!



GREEN CART TIPS

- Layer your green cart with yard clippings or paper, then food. This will help keep your container clean.
- Freeze food scraps until the night before collection day, then empty into your green cart.
- Sprinkle some baking soda in your green cart to absorb odors.



What Can You Do?

5 WAYS TO AVOID WASTE

1. PURCHASE MINDFULLY

When you buy something, you're creating demand for that thing as well as creating demand for its journey of production and the waste that comes along with it. Before purchasing something, consider if you really need it, how much packaging comes with it and what will happen to it when it's time to dispose of it.

2. BRING CONTAINERS

Make it easy to refuse single-use cups by keeping a reusable water bottle and coffee cup in your car. Bring a reusable to-go container to restaurants eliminating the need for single-use containers and saving the restaurant money. Having a party? Remind guests to bring containers for leftovers.



3. CHOOSE CANS OR GLASS

When you can, choose food in cans or glass rather than plastic. Even though plastic bottles, jugs and tubs are recyclable, plastic shouldn't be your first choice. Aluminum and glass are infinitely recyclable (they can be recycled endlessly without loss in quality or purity) and make a better option.



4. REDUCE FOOD WASTE

Plan meals and shop with a list to help you avoid food waste. Sort foods by expiration—earliest dates in front of those with later dates—so you're sure to use up food before it goes bad. Freezing is a great way to store most foods to keep them from going bad until you are ready to eat them.



5. DITCH DISPOSABLES

Swap single-use everyday kitchen items like plastic wrap, tin foil, plastic zip bags and paper towels, with reusable options such as beeswax, reusable lids and storage bags, glass jars and cloth towels.



How will you Reduce, Reuse & Recycle?

JOIN MSS IN PLEDGING TO SAVE VALUABLE RESOURCES!

Follow the QR Code & Take the Pledge Today!



WHERE DOES IT GO, JOE?

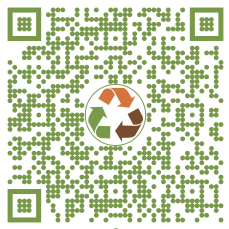
One easy and impactful way you can contribute to a healthier planet is by sorting your garbage, recycling and compostable materials correctly for collection.

THE BLUE SIDE IS FOR CLEAN & DRY PAPER & CARDBOARD

THE BROWN SIDE IS FOR CLEAN & EMPTY BOTTLES, CANS, JARS & JUGS

THE GREEN CART IS FOR FOOD, YARD WASTE & SOILED PAPER

THE BLACK CART IS FOR NON-RECYCLABLES/COMPOSTABLES



DOWNLOAD THE APP!



- Set Service Reminders.
- Receive Live Updates.
- Search What Container an Item Should Go In.
- Report Service Issues.

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