



**Mt. Diablo Resource Recovery**  
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## WINTER 2026 NEWSLETTER

### Solano County Community

Mt. Diablo Resource Recovery is your one-stop shop for organics, recycling, and solid waste collection services. We serve our customers, communities, and environment responsibly by optimizing the use of the materials we collect and process.

### We Want to Hear from You!



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**22 MILLION POUNDS**  
of reusable items collected and donated.

### A Message from Kish Rajan, CEO

As a father of three Gen Z kids, I've watched them grow up deeply aware of climate change and motivated to make a difference. Their passion for sustainability inspires me every day in my role at Mt. Diablo Resource Recovery (MDRR). It's what drives our commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, giving new life to reclaimed materials, and keeping as much as possible out of landfills. Plus, it just makes good business sense.



Every day, our team proves that we can maximize recycling and diversion, make the cities we serve cleaner and more sustainable, and strengthen our company at the same time. Waste management today isn't just about emptying garbage bins and carting waste to the landfill — it's about innovation and helping our customers reach their environmental quality goals.

Recycling and composting are key components of that diversion. Each year, MDRR collects and manages 160 million pounds of recyclables and 120 million pounds of organic waste, while also helping customers understand how to use these programs effectively.

But we don't stop there. Ten years ago, we partnered with RecycleSmart (Central Contra Costa Solid Waste Authority) to collect reusable items and find them new homes. At our Pittsburg warehouse, curbside-collected reusables are sorted and distributed through dozens of community organizations to families in need. Over the years, this has meant redistributing student desks to local schools and furnishing homes for those previously unhoused or aging out of foster care.

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### 2025-26 Holiday Collection Schedule

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>12/25</b>	<b>12/26</b>	<b>12/27</b>
No Service Christmas Day, Office Closed	Service for Thursday Customers	Service for Friday Customers
<b>1/1</b>	<b>1/2</b>	<b>1/3</b>
No Service New Year's Day, Office Closed	Service for Thursday Customers	Service for Friday Customers

Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Thursday this year. There will be no collection on these holidays. All regularly scheduled Thursday and Friday customers will take place one day later. **Thursday's pickup will be on Friday, and Friday's pickup on Saturday.** Normal service will resume after two weeks.

## TIPS FOR ROADSIDE CONTAINER PLACEMENT

- Place garbage cart roadside by 5 AM on the day of service. The cart must have at least 3 ft. of space between other objects, such as cars, trees, and basketball hoops.
- Do not overload cart; lid must be closed. For extra service please contact us for pickup options.
- Place the bagged organics and recycling inside or next to your garbage cart.
- Please remove cart from the curb within 24 hours of collection.

## WEEKLY ROADSIDE COLLECTION SERVICE:

### ORGANICS



The organics material collected by our trucks is taken to a compost facility and turned into enriched soil.

**ACCEPTED MATERIALS:** Meat • Fish • Poultry • Bones • Fruits • Vegetables • Grains • Plate Scrapings • Food-Soiled Paper • Leaves • Grass Clippings • Plant + Garden Trimmings • Weeds



Dirt • Sod • Palm Fronds • Rock • Concrete • Pet Waste • BPI Certified Products • Bioplastics • Hazardous Materials

### RECYCLABLES



Please only place acceptable, clean, empty, and dry items loosely in your blue recycling bag.

**ACCEPTED MATERIALS:** Plastics #1 PET + #2 HDPE • Bottles • Jars • Tin • Cans • Cereal + Snack Boxes • Cardboard • Clean Paper



Food-Contaminated Containers • Plastic Film • Foam Products • Textiles • E-Waste • Batteries • Hazardous Materials

### GARBAGE



Bag items that are no longer usable and place them in the green garbage container. Donate items that are in good condition.



Recyclables • Yard + Food Waste • Fluorescent Bulbs • E-Waste • Batteries • Hazardous Materials

## RECYCLING + ORGANICS BAG DISTRIBUTION

Annually, towards the beginning of the year, each household in Solano County will receive two boxes, each consisting of 52 bags.

Weekly, use one **blue bag for your recyclables** and one **green bag for organic waste**. Our truck will collect your bags and cart; your bagged materials are further processed at our recovery facility.



Recyclables



Organics

## BEYOND THE CART

Solano County residential customers with active service can contact MDRR for the following roadside services at no additional charge:



**On-Call Bulky Pickup:** Once per calendar year, residents may schedule a pickup of two (2) bulky items. Bulky items may include appliances, furniture, or electronics weighing no more than 200 lbs.



**Household Battery Pickups:** Schedule to have your household batteries picked up. Place batteries in a clear, sealed bag labeled "batteries" and set next to your garbage cart. Auto batteries must go to the HHW Facility.



**Used Motor Oil Recycling Kits:** Residents can request Used Motor Oil Recycling Kits, which include a free 6-quart oil container and motor oil filter sleeve. Once the kit is full, contact Customer Service to schedule pickup.



**Compost Pickup:** Scheduled in advance, residents can pick up one cubic yard of compost from our Recycling Center & Transfer Station. Please connect with Customer Service to schedule a pickup date and time.



**Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off:** Household Hazardous Waste is too toxic for your garbage cart. Residents may schedule in advance to drop off and safely dispose of automobile batteries, paint, antifreeze, and other household hazardous waste products at our Recycling Center & Transfer Station. Please connect with Customer Service to set an appointment.



**Three (3) Landfill Passes:** Annually, customers may request up to three (3) landfill passes. With each pass, they can drop off up to 3 cubic yards of material to Recology Hay Road, located at 6426 Hay Road, Vacaville.

**To schedule services call: (707) 374-5644, text (925) 690-5487 or email: [Customersupport@mdrr.com](mailto:Customersupport@mdrr.com).**

## A Message from the CEO cont.

So far, we've collected and donated more than 22 million pounds of reusable items — materials that otherwise would have ended up in the landfill. And we're just getting started.

Building on our success, we're expanding local partnerships to support youth and families. Through a new program with **The First Tee of Contra Costa**, Executive Director Brandon Garcelon, and **Play It Again Sports**, donated sporting goods now help fund First Tee's youth development programs. We're also growing our Back-to-School project to provide at least 500 fully stocked backpacks to local children in need.

These efforts reflect our ongoing promise to our customers, community, teammates — and my own kids — **to keep making a real difference for generations to come.**

I'm proud of how far we've come and excited for what's ahead.

## VISIT OUR FACILITY



Visit our Materials Recovery Facility at 1300 Loveridge Road in Pittsburg. We offer students and the community an opportunity to learn firsthand what happens to their recyclables, organics, and garbage. To schedule a visit, contact: [visit@mdrr.com](mailto:visit@mdrr.com)



**Safe Drug + Sharps Disposal:** For information on safe disposal resources for medications and sharps, please visit:

**Medications:** [www.medtakebackcalifornia.org](http://www.medtakebackcalifornia.org)  
**Sharps:** [www.sharpstakebackcalifornia.org](http://www.sharpstakebackcalifornia.org)



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## Free Christmas Tree Recycling

There are 2 easy ways to recycle your Christmas tree:

**AT ROADSIDE:** Scheduled in advance, Christmas trees will be picked up roadside at no additional charge. Trees longer than 3 feet must be cut into 3-foot sections before placing the pieces next to your garbage cart. Pieces larger than 3 feet cannot fit inside the truck.

**DROP OFF:** Bring your **full-size tree (no need to cut it)** to our 1300 Loveridge Road Facility in Pittsburg. Christmas trees will be taken at no charge — limit one tree per vehicle. See below for our facility hours.

**NOTE:** Remove all tinsel, ornaments, lights, and tree stands. Flocked trees cannot be recycled and must be disposed of as garbage — consider using an artificial flocked tree that can be reused year after year.



## RECYCLE YOUR WASTE AT OUR PLACE!



## YOUR FRIENDLY & CONVENIENT SELF-HAUL DESTINATION

Our Recycling Center & Transfer Station (Contra Costa Waste Services) is conveniently located at 1300 Loveridge Road in Pittsburg. Our full-service transfer station is open daily to the public from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm (closed Christmas Day + New Year's Day only). We accept solid waste, organics, yard waste, wood, plastics, metals, cardboard, building material, dirt, rock, concrete, electronics, appliances, and more. For pricing, please visit [www.mdr.com/rcts](http://www.mdr.com/rcts).



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