Organics Recycling is at an All Time High in West Valley Cities!

In 2019, WVC&R commercial customers were responsible for diverting 2,556 tons of organics from our local landfill, Guadalupe Landfill. The 2,556 tons accounted for 8.5% of the total municipal solid waste generated by commercial properties in 2019! Thank you WVC&R commercial customers participating in the organics program, you are responsible for lowering the carbon footprint in West Valley cities.

If your commercial property generates a significant amount of compostable waste and you are not participating in the free organics program, please contact our Outreach Coordinator Tim Elias at tim.elias@wasteconnections.com

**2019 Organics Tonnage**

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2,556.14 Tons of compost were diverted from local landfills in 2019. 8.5% of all MSW generated by WVC&R serviced commercial properties.
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West Valley Recycles!

CLEAN & DRY Recycling, the way of the future.

Until recently, China has been the main buyer of recycling from the United States, importing approximately 13 million tons of paper and 776,000 tons of plastic from the US annually.

Since early 2018, China has imposed stringent restrictions on imported recyclables under a new policy entitled “National Sword”, which is now requiring recyclables to be CLEAN and DRY.

Materials such as food residue and liquid are considered contamination, and may lead to recyclables being disposed of in landfills.

You can do your part by Keeping It Clean!

To help keep your materials dry, make sure your cart lids are completely closed. This is especially important during the rainy season.

Please remove all liquid, and food residue from cans, bottles and jars.

Keep Bugs at Bay and Help Protect Our Local Waterways!

Pesticides are chemicals used to kill “pests.” It is a poison to animals, plants, or both! Over application and applications where pesticides mix with storm water runoff can make their way into local waterways and can be lethal to marine life, birds, and other life forms. When hiring a pesticide applicator, look for someone who practices integrated pest management (IPM). They will try to solve the problem with the least toxic methods.

Alternatively, if you choose to control pests on your own, be sure to:

• Choose the least-toxic product available. Enclosed baits and traps are safer options.
• Apply pesticides only if necessary, not on a regular schedule.
• Read the label, follow the instructions, and use the minimum recommended application.
• Avoid aerosol sprays as they increase the risk of exposure to beneficial insects and birds.
• Buy ready-to-use products instead of concentrates which are less toxic because they are diluted.
• Don’t apply pesticides when rain is forecasted and don’t overwater.
• For more information please visit our website at www.cleancreek.org.

Remember, only rain in the storm drain!

Important Note

Roll-Off and Debris Box
WVC&R is the exclusive roll-off and debris box provider in Campbell, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, and Saratoga. To schedule a delivery, please contact Customer Service at (408) 283-9250 or by email at customerservice@westvalleyrecycles.com

Donate: If you have extra furniture, office supplies, or clothing in good condition, before choosing to toss it in the garbage or recycling, donate them to your local Goodwill, schools or other charitable organizations.

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To enroll as a new user, please set up a new profile. You will need your account number and an invoice number, which can be found on your recent bill.
We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and checking accounts for online payments.

Pay over the Phone with a Credit Card: Call our automated phone system at (855) 569-2719. You will need to enter your account number and the amount you owe to make a payment.

Pay by Mail: Mail in a check payable to West Valley Collection & Recycling. Use the pre-addressed envelope included with your bill.
Please include the payment stub to expedite the payment process.

Pay at our Office:
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San Jose, CA 95112
Our office hours are: Monday – Friday 8 AM to 4:30 PM
(408) 283-9250

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