

# aci Island Recycling

A Community Newsletter from Alameda County Industries  
Your **Recyclables**, **Organics** & **Garbage** Service Provider

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## Tips for Program Success

### Get the most out of your recycling and organics collection services

**1.** Single-use plastics are on their way out! **IT'S THE LAW** that all disposable to-go food ware in Alameda must be reusable, or compostable. Businesses must provide:

- straws only on request
- fiber-based compostable disposables (paper, wood, bamboo, etc.)
- reusable dishware where possible

Visit [www.AlamedaRecycles.org](http://www.AlamedaRecycles.org) for more information.

**2.** Avoid contamination. Sort plastic waste properly; Styrofoam® products, plastic wrap, and non-recyclable packaging belong in your **Garbage** cart or bin.

**3.** Flatten boxes to maximize space, fold/cut to pieces 2' x 2' or smaller, before placing in your **Recyclables** cart or bin. Pieces should fit loosely to assure the cart will empty properly during service.

**4.** Remember that food scraps and food-soiled paper belongs in your **Organics** cart or bin.

**5.** Consistently educate employees on proper sorting. Contact ACI by email at [info@AlamedaCountyIndustries.com](mailto:info@AlamedaCountyIndustries.com) or by phone at **510-483-1400** for assistance.



## Recycling is Mandatory

To be compliant, Alameda businesses (and multi-family residential properties) must have an appropriate level of **Recyclables** and **Organics** collection service in place. Businesses are required to sort their trash, and may be cited if contamination is found in their bins and/or carts.



Your blue **Recyclables** carts and bins are for bottles, cans, papers, and boxes.



Your green **Organics** carts and bins are for food scraps, food-soiled paper products, grass and flower clippings.



For more information, please visit: <http://www.recyclingrulesac.org/city/alameda/>.

## Help is Available

Contact ACI by email at [info@AlamedaCountyIndustries.com](mailto:info@AlamedaCountyIndustries.com) or by phone at **510-483-1400**. We provide waste assessments and program posters at no additional charge.

## StopWaste Grant Programs

**Community Outreach Mini Grants** are designed to help reduce the amount of organics, specifically edible food, going to landfill. Grants are available to qualifying nonprofit organizations that have the capacity and desire to work with their local community, to build awareness and engagement in reducing food waste at the household level.



**General Mini Grant Program** is designed to provide small amounts of money, to all Alameda County based applicants. The proposed project must be in the area of source reduction, reuse, recycling and market development. Funds may also be requested for educational programs that promote source reduction, reuse, recycling and buying recycled.

**Reusable Transport Packaging Grants** *Use Reusables* is offering up to \$5,000 per approved business or institution for the purchase of reusable transport packaging. Applications will be evaluated on a first come first serve basis until grant funds are expended.

Visit: <http://www.stopwaste.org/recycling/business/assistance-and-funding/funding-assistance> for more information.

### Holiday Service Schedule



There will be **NO CHANGES** to the collection schedule during the week of Memorial Day.

### Dispose of Hazardous Wastes Responsibly

Alameda County operates a drop-in program that accepts latex paint, aerosol cans, fluorescent lamps, and household batteries. Charges apply. Visit **StopWaste.Org/hhw** and choose

"Business Hazardous Waste" from the vertical menu on the right side of the page for more information. Put hazardous waste in the right place. Please remember that hazardous waste does NOT belong in your **Recyclables**, **Organics** or **Garbage** carts and bins.



**Remember to:**  
**Reduce,**  
**Reuse,**  
**Recycle,**  
**Rot & Donate!**



### Alameda County Industries

We are proud to be your service provider for **Recyclables**, **Organics** & **Garbage**.



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