

aci Island Recycling

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

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This Year, Pledge to “Buy Green”

Take into account the environmental and health impacts of the products and services you choose.

- **Choose used products.** Frequent resale stores, browse websites such as Craigslist, or share and trade items with friends.
- **Reduce packaging waste.** Choose products with little or no packaging.
- **Invest in reusables.** Carry reusable shopping bags, travel mugs, and water bottles with you.
- **Buy recycled.** Look for products that contain recycled content.
- **Prioritize energy and water efficiency.** Choose the most efficient products you can afford.
- **Shop businesses that are certified green.** Search for Certified Green Businesses here: www.greenbusinessca.org.
- **Select products with independent green certification.** Look for the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) logo, the Energy Star logo, and the WaterSense logo.

BENEFITS OF BUYING GREEN

- Save energy
- Save water
- Protect natural resources
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change
- Improve air and water quality
- Help make your home and yard healthier

For more info to help you make better buying decisions visit:
www.stopwaste.org/at-home/reduce-reuse-recycle-rot/buy-green.



Recycle Used Oil & Filters Responsibly

• ACI offers free **curbside collection** of used oil jugs and filter bags.



DO NOT place used oil inside your **RECYCLABLES** container. Contact us via our website or call **(510) 483-1400** for delivery of a free used oil kit.

• Visit **RecycleUsedOil.org** to find a free used oil drop off location near you.

No Sharps

Please remember that sharps



are NOT allowed in any ACI collection container.

- Ask your doctor or pharmacist about available disposal options.
- Contact Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste at **1 (800) 606-6606** or visit stopwaste.org/hhw for info on safe, free disposal.

Holiday Service Schedule

Collection days will NOT change during the weeks of Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Presidents' Day. Please be sure to put your carts out for collection by 6am on your regular service day.

✓ Help us Provide Safe & Efficient Service Collection Day Reminders

- ✓ Place carts out for collection by 6:00 a.m.
- ✓ Make sure cart wheels are facing your home.
- ✓ Place materials loosely inside carts so they will empty properly.
- ✓ Make sure cart lids are fully closed. Overloaded carts can cause litter and attract critters like crows and raccoons.
- ✓ Leave three feet (or as much space as possible) between each cart and avoid placing carts near obstacles.



Don't Forget to Care for Your Carts!

- ✓ Wipe down and/or rinse your cart every few weeks. Take care to use only as much water as necessary and to drain over a landscaped area. Scoop up and bag or box residue before placing it in the appropriate cart.
- ✓ Report damaged carts to ACI so that we can schedule a repair or replacement on your next service day. You can reach us by phone: **(510) 483-1400**, email: info@alamedacountyindustries.com, or through the "Contact Us" page on our website: www.alamedacountyindustries.com/alameda.



You Can Minimize Water Pollution

Stormdrains in Alameda County flow directly to creeks and the Bay without going to a treatment plant. It's important to keep pollutants and litter out of the drains.

- Check your driveway or parking area for fluid leaks. If your car is leaking, use a drip pan and arrange repair.
- If you change your own oil, contain and recycle used oil and filters properly. (See other side for how ACI can help!)
- Place litter in the correct collection cart.
- Prevent leaves from getting into storm drains, place them in your green **organics** cart.
- Avoid applying fertilizers and pesticides, especially if rain is forecast.



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

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Please recycle again!



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We are proud to be your service provider for
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