

aci Multi-family News

Proudly Serving the Alameda Community and Aiming for Zero Waste.

Prevent Food Waste

Californians throw away nearly 6 million tons of food waste each year.

Before food becomes part of the **ORGANICS** collection program, find ways to manage it more thoughtfully, such as reducing food waste.

- **STORE ITEMS PROPERLY:** Learn how to store food to maximize shelf life.
- **SHOP YOUR FRIDGE:** Get creative, use food you already have on hand.
- **EAT THIS FIRST:** Download a sign for inside your fridge to designate an area for foods that need to be eaten soon.
StopFoodWaste.org/resources
- **MEAL PLAN:** Use the interactive Meal Prep Mate and Guest-Imator tools at SavetheFood.com



PROPER SORTING MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Put leftover food scraps and food-soiled paper in your **ORGANICS** cart as a last resort (see *below*).

Food Scraps and Food-Soiled Paper Belong in the Green Bins

Any leftover food scraps and food-soiled paper belong in your green **Organics** cart or bin. Remember to keep it clean and avoid contamination: **NO plastic, NO glass, NO metal, NO Styrofoam®.**

For a full list of what belongs in your **ORGANICS** bin or cart, scan the QR code or visit AlamedaSorts.com. Need additional **ORGANICS** service? Call our Customer Service Department at 510-483-1400.



Holiday Tips to Reduce Waste



- When shopping for gifts, bring your own bag.
- Use tags, cards, and wrapping paper printed on recycled paper - or even better - make your own.
- Recycle baskets, tins, or boxes when wrapping gifts or use reusable materials like newspaper, t-shirts, and reusable bags.



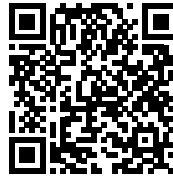
Recycling Reminder: CARDBOARD

Make sure the lids close and do not overfill your **RECYCLABLES** containers. Remind your tenants to **flatten their boxes** to maximize space. Contact us if you need additional service.

Multi-Family Holiday Tree Collection

ACI will collect holiday trees at no additional charge December 26, 2024 - January 31, 2025. Clean green trees will be composted.

Complexes can designate a collection area for trees during the month of January. Approval of designated collection area by ACI personnel is required. Scan the QR code for more information and contact us to make collection arrangements.



PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Remove all decorations, lights, and the stand.
- Cut the tree in half if taller than 6 feet.
- Keep trees loose. Do not wrap or bag them.
- Flocked trees are accepted as garbage & will not be composted.
- Artificial trees are not accepted and belong in the garbage when reuse is no longer viable. Please contact ACI to arrange collection options.
- Make sure your collection enclosures and designated collection areas are not blocked and accessible to our collection vehicles.



AVOID A CUT OR FAKE PLASTIC TREE THIS YEAR. GO GREEN WITH A SUSTAINABLE ALTERNATIVE.

Rent or adopt a tree that is delivered alive and then replanted once you are finished. Search the internet for local sources. **Decorate a plant or tree you already have**, or purchase a potted tree that you can use each year or plant after the holidays. **Get creative!** Make a tree out of books, a photo collage, or wooden frames, the possibilities are endless.

Holiday Service Schedule

THANKSGIVING WEEK:

If your regular collection day is Thursday or Friday, service will be one day later.

CHRISTMAS WEEK & NEW YEAR'S DAY WEEK:

If your regular collection day is Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, your containers will be serviced one day later.

NOVEMBER 25 - 30, 2024					
If your collection day is:	Mon. 25	Tue. 26	Wed. 27	Thu. 28	Fri. 29
Your holiday collection day will be:	Mon. 25	Tue. 26	Wed. 27	Fri. 29	Sat. 30

DECEMBER 23 - 28, 2024					
If your collection day is:	Mon. 23	Tue. 24	Wed. 25	Thu. 26	Fri. 27
Your holiday collection day will be:	Mon. 23	Tue. 24	Thu. 26	Fri. 27	Sat. 28

DEC 30, 2024 - JAN 4, 2025					
If your collection day is:	Mon. 30	Tue. 31	Wed. 1	Thu. 2	Fri. 3
Your holiday collection day will be:	Mon. 30	Tue. 31	Thu. 2	Fri. 3	Sat. 4

Happy holidays from everyone at ACI!

SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR TENANTS! This newsletter can be downloaded and printed from our website: AlamedaCountyIndustries.com/alameda/multifamily/resources



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Recycle,
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