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Increase in Recycling & Yard Waste Tonnage

For South San Francisco and Brisbane

Congratulations! Since the introduction of the new yard waste and recycling carts, the residents of South San Francisco and Brisbane have increased yard waste diversion over 20% and curbside recycling by over 15% in the first two months!

Many residents have expressed their satisfaction with the convenience and ease of use of the new carts, and this has paid off in increased diversion of waste from the landfill, resulting in increased progress towards the goal of 50% diversion of waste. Your recycling efforts are appreciated - Keep up the good work!

New life for Old Soles...is back!

Last year San Mateo County residents recycled 5,500 pairs of old sneakers. The old tennies were sent to the Nike recycling facility where they were ground up and used to make athletic surfaces including tracks, weight room flooring and playground surfaces. Do something good for the earth and recycle your used athletic shoes again this spring.



Drop off your old sneakers at Blue Line Transfer Station or other collection locations in San Mateo County from April 22 - May 31.

- SNEAKERS ONLY
- No metal (eyelets, cleats or spikes)
- No dress shoes, flip-flops, sandals, boots
- No hiking boots or shoes with lights

▶ For more information and drop-off locations, contact San Mateo County RecycleWorks at 1-888-442-2666 or www.RecycleWorks.org.

Household Hazardous Drop Off Opportunities

Available on Saturdays for a limited time

The San Mateo County Household Hazardous Waste Program holds drop off events at various locations throughout the County for the proper disposal of oil based paints, thinners, pesticides, pool chemicals, cleaning products or other toxics.

For the next 3 months only there will be 3 drop off events per month held at Blue Line Transfer, Inc. in South San Francisco. Take advantage of the convenient Saturday appointments to get rid of all your toxic and hazardous products. San Mateo County residents MUST call 650.363.4718 to make the required appointment.

April 1,17,24

May 6,15,22

June 3,19,26

Cell Phone Donation Update

Thanks to all of you who have participated in the Donate a phone program, we have raised over \$1000 for CORA-Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse (formerly Sor Juana Ines Services for Abused Women) serving San Mateo County.



Cell phone donations are shipped to Donate a phone, which refurbishes or recycles the cell phones and sends a cash donation to our designated non-profit organization. Receipts for your cell phone donations are available at the SSF Scavenger Company reception desk at 500 East Jamie Court, or you can download a receipt from the Donate a phone web site at www.donateaphone.com.

Cell Phone Drop off Locations:

- **South San Francisco Scavenger Co.**
500 East Jamie Court
South San Francisco
- **South San Francisco Fire Department**
33 Arroyo Drive, Room F
South San Francisco
- **Millbrae Police Department**
581 Magnolia Avenue
Millbrae

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Millbrae's Household Hazardous Waste Campaign

Did you know that toxic cleaning and gardening products create a hazardous home for you, your family and the environment? Indoor air pollution has proven to be worse than outdoor air pollution. Items that you purchase at the store, such as oven cleaners, cleaning supplies, pesticides and herbicides contain toxic materials that are not healthy for people, animals and the environment. Make an appointment to drop off those hazardous materials sitting around in your cabinets and garage through the San Mateo County Household Hazardous Waste drop off program at www.smhealth.org/hhw or call 650-363-4718.

Now it's time to make the switch to non-toxic products to create a healthier home environment. Many non-toxic items are now available on the market or can be made at home. Millbrae residents, call the City's Recycling & Waste Prevention Program at 259-2444 and order your free Non-Toxic Alternatives Kit.

For Millbrae Residents

The City of Millbrae's Recycling & Waste Prevention Program is sponsoring the following workshops to encourage waste prevention and recycling.



*All workshops are held from
9:30 am to 11:30 am
at the Millbrae Community Center,
477 Lincoln Circle.
To sign-up, call 259-2444.*

**Backyard & Worm
Composting Workshops**
Saturday, May 8 & July 10

Organic Gardening
Saturday, June 5

The Non-Toxic Alternatives Kit includes:

- Clean-It Guide: Safer House Cleaning Methods that Really Work
- Non-Toxic Products & Where to Buy Them
- Household Hazardous Waste Guide - Includes where to dispose of hazardous waste
- San Mateo County's Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Guide with an insert on non-toxic alternatives
- Calendar of Organic Gardening & Composting Workshops to show how to garden without pesticides and herbicides and how to make compost to provide nutrients for your garden instead of using fertilizers
- Growing a Healthy Garden Guide
- Integrated Pest Management Handouts
- Non-Toxic Cleaning Sample
- Recycling & Waste Prevention Program Magnet

Reduce Air Pollution with a New Electric Lawn Mower

Did you know a typical gas mower can emit the same amount of ozone-forming gas in one hour as a new car driven 340 miles? At the San Mateo County Lawn Mower Exchange you can trade in your old gas powered lawn mower and buy a new Black & Decker corded electric mulching mower at a \$100 discount.

- Buyers must bring a gasoline-powered mower in working condition.
- Cost of electric mower with trade-in: \$179 retail price - \$100 discount = \$79 plus tax
- Available to San Mateo County residents only - bring proof of residency.

▶ **Saturday, May 15, 8am - 11am**
Home Depot, 2001 Chess Dr. San Mateo, CA 94404

This program is sponsored by San Mateo County RecycleWorks & Bay Area Air Quality Management District. For details, visit www.RecycleWorks.org or call 1-888-442-2666.

*Black & Decker Corded Electric
Mulching Mower (MM575)*



Resource Information

South San Francisco Scavenger Company

500 East Jamie Court
South San Francisco
650.589.4020

- Schedule On Call Clean up appointments

info@ssfscavenger.com
www.ssfscavenger.com

Blue Line Transfer, Inc.

500 East Jamie Court
South San Francisco
650.589.5511

- Public Disposal
- Recycling - Buyback Center
- B. O. P. A. Center
Batteries, Motor oil & filters, Latex paint, Antifreeze
- Fluorescent Tubes
- Electronics Recycling
e.g., computers, televisions, cell phones, etc.

San Mateo County

Recycling/Compost Hotline

888.442.2666

Information, discount compost bins, and workshops

www.RecycleWorks.org

Comprehensive online recycling reuse directory

San Mateo County

Household Hazardous Waste Program

Drop off Events - By appointment only

650.363.4718

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City of Millbrae

Recycling & Waste Prevention Program

650.259.2444

Information, guides, compost and organic gardening workshops

www.ci.millbrae.ca.us

