

The RECYCLER

HOME EDITION

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Question Corner

Q. I read in the curbside recycling brochure that we can't recycle laundry detergent boxes. Why not?

A. You can recycle laundry detergent boxes as long as they are not lined in plastic. At one time, many different laundry detergent boxes were lined in plastic, which is considered a contaminant. We are currently updating our curbside recycling brochure to reflect changes and additions to the curbside recycling program. The new brochure is scheduled for distribution to all households in May 2001.

We welcome your questions!

Please call or e-mail your questions or comments to us. We will feature the most frequently asked questions in *The Recycler*.



For Millbrae Residents

Did You Know?

All garbage cans, totes and recycling containers should be stored out of view from the street. For questions or storage solutions, call Sue Harris, Code Enforcement Officer, at 259-2440.

HELP KEEP MILLBRAE BEAUTIFUL!

A message from the Millbrae Community Preservation Commission



Upcoming Free Workshops

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

All workshops are held from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Millbrae Community Center, 477 Lincoln Circle. To sign up, call 259-2360.

May 12 — Worm Composting

Learn to compost food scraps the fun way using worms.

June 9 — Organic Gardening

Learn how to grow wholesome vegetables and beautiful flowers without using polluting pesticides and herbicides.

June 23 — Backyard Composting

Learn the basics of backyard composting

Resource Information

South San Francisco Scavenger Co.
500 East Jamie Court
650-589-4020

e-mail to: info@ssfscavenger.com

web site: www.ssfscavenger.com

Blue Line, Transfer Inc. (BOPA) Recycling Center
Batteries, Oil & filters, Paint-latex & Antifreeze
650-598-5511

San Mateo County Recycling/Compost hotline
1-888-442-2666
web site: www.RecycleWorks.org

Household Hazardous Waste Program
650-363-4718

For Millbrae Residents:
City of Millbrae Recycling and Waste Prevention Program
650-259-2444

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Celebrate Earth Day
April 22, 2001

Do something Good for the Earth!

Check the newspapers and local cable stations for your community's and the Bay Area's Earth Week events.

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Appointment only Residential Clean-Ups

Replaces Spring and Fall Clean-Ups for South San Francisco and Brisbane

South San Francisco Scavenger Company is pleased to announce it is now offering residential customers in South San Francisco and Brisbane two free annual clean-ups for extra trash. Instead of pre-scheduled clean-ups, customers are now able to decide when they want their clean-up.

To schedule your appointment on your regular trash collection day at any time during the year, just call us at 650-589-4020. Once you have scheduled a clean-up appointment, we will mail you a postcard confirming your collection date. The postcard will also remind you of the amount and type of materials you can place at the curb for clean-up.

The Clean-Up is for your extra non-reusable and non-recyclable trash only.

Please put yard waste, untreated wood and other recyclable materials collected at curbside out on your regular yard waste and curbside recycling collection days.

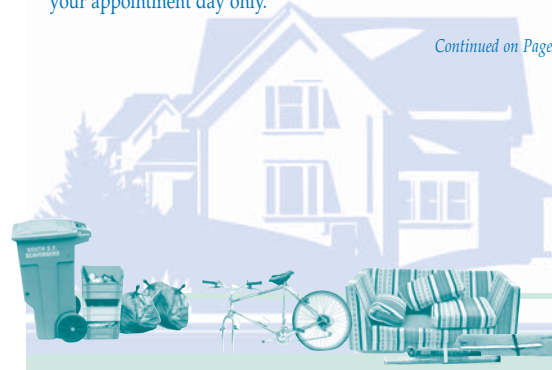
Avoid extra Charges

You are responsible for all materials set out at your address. Please follow the guidelines and avoid extra charges. You will be charged for additional trash over the stated limits.

How to Participate in Clean-Up by Appointment

- You must call 650.589.4020 to schedule an appointment.
- You must have an active garbage account.
- You will need to tell customer service staff exactly what items are to be collected. (example: 1 sofa, 4 bags of trash, 1 bike frame)
- Put the items at the curbside by 5 a. m. on the morning of your appointment day only.

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Open House Invitation

Please come to our open house for the New Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)

500 East Jamie Court
off East Grand Avenue
South San Francisco

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2001

from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

There will be tours, demonstrations, information booths, and food and beverages.

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SCAVENGER
COMPANY, INC.

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Open House Invitation

This will be a great opportunity to learn the latest about the environmental health of our community. We have invited City and County Agencies, and environmental groups and organizations to set up information booths and be on hand to answer your questions.

Children will enjoy getting a closer look at what happens to their soda and juice bottles after they put them in the recycling bin. All the big equipment used in our operation will be on display too!

You can also stroll along the newest section of the Bay Trail which skirts the perimeter of our facility.

We look forward to seeing you there.



Public Disposal at the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)

Public Disposal at the MRF — 500 East Jamie Court

Days and Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday 6:00 am to 4:30 pm

Saturday 7:00 am to 4:30 pm



Public Buy Back At the MRF — 500 East Jamie Court

Days and Hours of Operation:

Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday 8:30 to 12:00 noon



PLEASE NOTE: The last newsletter, Volume 2, Number 1 incorrectly stated the days and hours of operation in the articles on Public Disposal and Public Buy-Back.

Batteries, Oil, Paint & Antifreeze (BOPA) Recycling Center

The days and hours of operation are the same as Public Buy Back.

Drop off car batteries, motor oil and filters (drained), paint (latex), and antifreeze. However we will only accept latex paint on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Paint must be in the original container and the label must be legible.

PLEASE NOTE: No appointment is necessary to drop-off batteries, oil, paint (latex) and antifreeze at the BOPA Recycling Center.

Household Hazardous Waste Days

If you have Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) such as paints, pesticides, thinners, pool chemicals or other toxics you need to dispose of, San Mateo County HHW program holds collection events at various locations throughout the County.

County residents need to call 650-363-4718 to make the required appointment.

Following are dates through July for collection events to be held at Blue Line Transfer, Inc. in South San Francisco.

April 12

May 10

June 14

July 12

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Appointment only Residential Clean-Ups

Limits for Clean-Up

Each customer will be limited to ONE large item (not to exceed 200 lbs.) and ONE cubic yard of material (i.e. 6-30 gallon bags/cans of trash).

Garbage cans may not exceed 60 lbs. when full and bags may not exceed 30 lbs. when full.

All garbage must be containerized, bagged, boxed, or tied. No loose trash will be collected.

Large Items

Please note the limit is ONE large item not to exceed 200 lbs. Examples of large items include broken appliances, furniture, mattresses and carpet tied into rolls less than four feet long and one foot in diameter.

Broken Appliances include refrigerators, washers, dryers, stoves, water heaters, and other large metal appliances.

Important Information

Refrigerators and freezer doors must be tied shut or removed for safety. To dispose of a refrigerator, freezer or air conditioning unit, you must have a certificate showing that a licensed technician removed the chlorofluorocarbon refrigerants (CFC's) (Yellow Pages-Appliance-Service). Or you can call South San Francisco Scavenger Company to arrange for removal of CFC's for a fee.

Scrap Metal

Metal items include small broken appliances (toaster ovens), bed frames, bicycle frames, shelving, pots and pans, etc. Place small metal items in boxes or tie in bundles less than four feet long. The maximum weight per item is 60 lbs.



Please Don't Trash Reusable Items

Donate reusable toys, furniture, clothing, appliances, building supplies, etc. Check the Yellow Pages under Thrift Stores, Used Clothing Stores, and Second Hand Dealers. Call San Mateo County Hotline 1-888-442-2662 or check out their web site www.RecycleWorks.org for a list of organizations.



NO

- Motor vehicles
- Rock
- Dirt
- Concrete
- Sod
- Large car parts
- Engines
- Car batteries
- Tires
- Hazardous or toxic materials

YES

- Trash
- Furniture
- Metal
- Water heaters (empty)
- Refrigerators/Freezers/air conditioners*
- Washers & Dryers, Stoves

* Refrigerator/freezer doors must be tied or removed. Certificate needed showing that CFC's were removed by licensed technician.

