

# The RECYCLER

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO  
**SCAVENGER**  
 COMPANY, INC.

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## Holiday Collection Schedule

### If your collection day is Thursday

In order to allow our employees to spend Christmas and New Year's Day with their families, we need to reschedule your garbage and recycling collection for those days!

Please make sure your garbage and recycling carts are out on the curb by 5:00 am on those two Saturdays. Your regular Thursday collection will resume on Thursday, January 8, 2004. Thank you for your understanding.

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*Christmas Day collections will be made on Saturday, December 27*

*New Year's Day collections will be made on Saturday, January 3*

## Holiday Canned Food Drive

### Twelfth Annual Holiday Food Drive to Benefit Local Families

South San Francisco Scavenger Company, in association with the Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, and the Young Men's Institute, is sponsoring the twelfth annual holiday canned food drive to benefit local families.

Last year, thanks to your generosity, South San Francisco Scavenger Company collected and donated more than 3000 pounds of food to local charitable organizations, serving more than 1000 local families since 1992. Your donation of nonperishable food and canned items help supplement holiday meals for local families in need.

## New Cart Service

In mid September we began delivering new garbage and yard waste carts to South San Francisco and Brisbane single-family residences. Beginning in early November new recycling carts will be delivered to single-family residences in South San Francisco, Brisbane and Millbrae. Please start using the new carts immediately. Instruction sheets will be delivered with each cart. If you do not receive the instruction sheets along with your carts, please call the office at 650.589.4020 to request copies.

### Tips for using new carts

1. To help identify your carts, please note the serial number for your records and write your house number on the lids.
2. Please bag your garbage to keep the cart clean and prevent litter during collection.
3. By 5:00 am on your regular collection day, place carts in the street with wheels against the curb and handles facing your house. The carts should face the street for automated collection. If you are not able to place carts in the street, please put carts as close as possible to the street, for example, in your driveway, on the mow strip, or at the edge of the sidewalk nearest the street.



Place carts about 2 feet apart in street near driveway with wheels against the curb and handles facing house.

### Questions??

Please call our office at 650.589.4020 if you have any questions or concerns about your new carts and we will be happy to assist you.

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### Suggested items for Holiday Food Drive

Canned Foods such as:

- Vegetables
- Tuna Fish
- Stews
- Chili
- Powdered Milk
- Rice and Dried Beans
- Pastas

### Food Drive Collection Days

**Monday, December 1,  
to Friday, December 12, 2003**

### How you can participate

Place your donation inside a brown grocery bag labeled "Food Drive" and place next to your recycling cart on your regular pickup day from Monday, December 1 through to Friday, December 12, 2003.

You may also bring your donation to our office located at 500 East Jamie Court (off East Grand Avenue and Haskins Way) in South San Francisco.

## Christmas Tree Recycling

You can recycle your green Christmas tree on your regular yard waste collection day. Simply place your tree on or near the curb by 5:00 am on the morning of your yard waste collection.



Please remove all decorations, tinsel, lights and metal stand before placing the tree at the curb. Trees 6 feet or more need to be cut in half. Flocked trees are NOT recyclable and should be placed with regular trash on your normal garbage collection day.

Every recycled tree represents an average of 20 pounds diverted from the landfill.

### How to Recycle your Christmas tree

- ❖ Remove all decorations, tinsel, lights, and metal stand.
- ❖ Cut tree in half if it is over 6 feet.
- ❖ Place tree on or near curb by 5:00 am on your yard waste collection day.

### Extra Garbage?

Please do not over load your garbage cart. Garbage must be level with the top of the container. If you have extra garbage, please call 650.589.4020 to make arrangements to have it picked up. Please leave us a message if you are calling after hours. There will be an additional charge for extra garbage.



## Coming Soon

### Recycling Cart One cart - two lids



The new 64-gallon recycling cart with two hinged lids and a center divider holds paper products on one side and containers on the other. Now one convenient cart will provide twice the capacity for your recyclables. Please put all paper products under the gray lid and all containers under the blue lid.

## What's new in Recycling

### Now you can recycle wide-mouth plastic tubs such as yogurt and margarine containers along with your plastic bottles!

Just rinse them and put them in the new recycling cart under the blue lid along with your glass bottles and jars, metal and aluminum cans and foil, and plastic bottles #1-#7.



Add these to your recycling cart

## Household Hazardous Drop Off Opportunities

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. To make the required appointment, San Mateo County residents can call 650.363.4718 or visit [www.smhealth.org/hhw/appt](http://www.smhealth.org/hhw/appt).

Following are dates through January 2004 for drop off events to be held at Blue Line Transfer, Inc. in South San Francisco.

October 9

November 13

December 11

January 8

## Resource Information

### South San Francisco Scavenger Co.

500 East Jamie Court  
South San Francisco  
650.589.4020

■ Schedule On Call Clean-up appointments

[info@ssfscavenger.com](mailto:info@ssfscavenger.com)

[www.ssfscavenger.com](http://www.ssfscavenger.com)

### For Millbrae Residents:

City of Millbrae  
Recycling & Waste Prevention Program  
650.259.2444

Information, guides, compost and organic gardening workshops

### 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  
televisions, computers, cell phones, etc.