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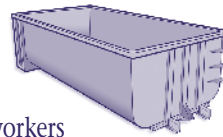
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Planning a Remodel, Landscape Project or Garage Clean Up?

We can help with your renovation or clean up projects by providing the right-size container. Whether you need a mini box for a clean up or a debris box for land clearing, just call our office at 589-4020 and customer service can help you order the right container for the job.



Recycle rich loads of construction, demolition, remodel and landscape waste loads are delivered to a sorting line at Blue Line Transfer where workers separate the metals, wood, yard waste, cardboard and other recyclables. At least 65 % of construction and demolition debris is diverted from the landfill and reused or made into new products or converted into energy.

Salvage Opportunities

Your trash could be someone else's treasure. Items such as mantelpieces, doors, cabinetry, wood frame windows, lighting fixtures and more can be salvaged and donated from remodeling or demolition projects. A complete list of salvage, reuse and recycling companies is available at San Mateo County's RecycleWorks web site www.RecycleWorks.org.



Building REsources –

San Francisco, 415.285.7814

Accepts reusable building supplies, construction materials, reusable fixtures, doors and much more. Salvage services may be provided. Tax deduction receipts provided.

Whole House Building Supply –

East Palo Alto, 650.328.8731

Accepts doors, cabinets, windows, bricks, roof tiles, heaters, solar and pool equipment and much more. Salvage services provided. Tax deduction receipts provided.

FREE On Call Clean Up!

Cleaning out your garage? Getting rid of an old sofa, or mattress or an appliance? Take advantage of your FREE on call clean ups for extra trash. You get TWO free clean ups per calendar year for extra bags of trash and bulky items.

Guidelines:

On call clean up service is limited to ONE large item and 6-30 gallon bags of trash. If you don't have a bulky item then you can have up to 12 -30 gallon bags of trash. All garbage items must be bagged, boxed or bundled. No hazardous waste will be accepted.

Due to special disposal costs, there is a fee for refrigerators, freezers, televisions and computer monitors.

Just call 650.589.4020 to schedule an on call clean up on your regular garbage collection day. Be prepared to tell customer service what items you have for collection so they can schedule the appropriate service vehicles. For example, items such as televisions, computer monitors, refrigerators and larger pieces of furniture need to be collected by a separate vehicle.

Please consider donating reusable items, and recycle yard waste on your yard waste collection day.

Announcing

4th Annual Backyard Composting Workshop

Sponsored by South San Francisco Scavenger Company and San Mateo County RecycleWorks Program

Saturday, April 1, 2006
10:00 am to 12:00 pm



South San Francisco Scavenger Co.

500 East Jamie Court
(East Grand/Haskins Way)

Please call to reserve a space
650.589.4020

Backyard Composting

Composting yard waste and fruit and vegetable scraps is the best way to enrich your garden soil, improve water retention and reduce the need for pesticides. Compost amends both sandy and clay soils and saves money by avoiding the cost of buying soil conditioners. Come and learn about backyard composting from a master composter on Saturday, April 1 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Workshop attendees will be eligible for a drawing to win a compost bin!



Residents of San Mateo County may order compost bins and worm bins at a discount through San Mateo County RecycleWorks Program. For more information call 1.888.442.2666 or go online at www.RecycleWorks.org.

Stop Junk Mail - Here's How

Junk mail is a waste. It's a huge waste of natural resources and your time. Sure, you can recycle junk mail, but it's even better to stop getting it.

The average American home receives 1.5 trees in their mailbox in the form of unsolicited mail every year. That adds up to over 100 million trees cut down and over 28 billion gallons of water consumed to produce one year's worth of this country's junk mail.

You can take action to stop this waste and it's much easier than you think.

Go online or call and request the FREE Stop Junk Mail Kit.

Online at www.StopJunkMail.org

Call, toll-free, 1.877.786.7927

The **Stop Junk Mail Kit** shows you how to get off junk mailing lists and keep new junk mail from finding its way to your mailbox. The Kit also provides other important information on how to ensure that your name and address don't get traded, rented, or sold to companies who send you unwanted mail.

The Stop Junk Mail Kit outlines 5 things you can do to stop junk mail:

- 1. Fill out and mail two preprinted postcards included in the Kit (addressed to the top two mailing houses) requesting your name be taken off mailing lists.**
- 2. Tell companies you are currently doing business with, not to sell your name.**
- 3. Call 800 phone numbers of the four top Credit Card, Computer Disk, Sweepstakes and Shopping Flyer companies to call and request to be taken off mailing lists.**
- 4. Use sample letter to send to catalog companies to request to be taken off mailing list.**
- 5. Reminder to write on the bottom of donation checks and mail orders - "Do Not Sell My Name."**

Bay Area cities, counties and businesses are working together with The Bay Area Recycling Outreach Coalition (BayROC), to save our national resources by sponsoring the "Junk Mail Reduction Campaign." The campaign consists of radio commercials, public service announcements, articles in local and regional newspapers and newsletters, all asking Bay Area residents and businesses to make a special effort to help reduce the amount of junk mail that comes to their homes and offices.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Opportunities

San Mateo County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program accepts at no charge the following items from County residents:

Oil based paints, thinners, pesticides, pool chemicals, cleaning products and other toxics.

Please call the County HHW program to make the REQUIRED appointment at 650.363.4718 or register on line www.smhealth.org/hhw/appt.

City of Millbrae

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

Everyone is welcome to attend!

To sign-up or for more information, please call 259.2444.

**Workshops held at
Millbrae Community Center
477 Lincoln Circle**

9:30 am-11:30 am

March 11 & May 6 Backyard & Worm Composting

Learn the basics of backyard and worm composting.

April 8 & June 3 Organic Gardening

Learn the basics of organic gardening: creating healthy soil, planting the right plants for the area, using organic pest control methods and more.

The City of Millbrae's Water Resources and Conservation program is pleased to offer free water efficient landscape workshops. Sign up for one or all three! Reservations required; please call 259.2348.

**Workshops held at
the David J. Chetcuti
Community Room,
450 Poplar Avenue, Millbrae**

March 18, 2006 9 am-12 pm - Water-Wise Landscape Design

April 1, 2006 9 - 11:30 am - Water-Wise Irrigation

May 20, 2006 9 - 11:30 am - Landscaping with Native Plants



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