

The Recycler

Winter 2012



Please Visit Our Website at
www.ssfscavenger.com



Our website has many features to help you easily find information about your garbage, recycling and yard waste services including your collection schedule and rate information. Have a question? Find the answer on the Frequently Asked Question page. If you can't find the information you are looking for then let us know by filling out the online contact form.

Features

- ❖ Contact us using the online form
- ❖ Get rate information
- ❖ Look up your collection schedule
- ❖ Find answers to Frequently Asked Questions
- ❖ View disposal options for household hazardous waste
- ❖ View or download flyers, yard waste calendar, newsletters
- ❖ Check out Events and Resources and find links to other websites

Please Call Us



We are always happy to receive your call. You can reach us by phone between 7:00 am and 5:00 pm. If you are calling after hours or on the weekend, please leave us a message and we will be happy to return your call.

Please Follow us on Facebook!



Now South San Francisco Scavenger Company (SSFSC) and Blue Line Transfer, Inc. share the same Facebook page. Sabrina Bortoli, our Facebook admin, will keep you up to date with the latest news and information about our services, upcoming events and work shops, fun facts and photos and videos. Recently, Sabrina added a number of new photos of our recycling operations.

Regular features on the SSFSC and Blue Line Transfer, Inc. Facebook pages include:

- ❖ News Day Tuesday - keep current with recycling news
- ❖ Family Fun Friday - find information about upcoming community events and fun reuse and recycling projects/workshops
- ❖ Weekly Quiz - test your knowledge about recycling
- ❖ Asks Sabrina - get answers to your questions about recycling or your service

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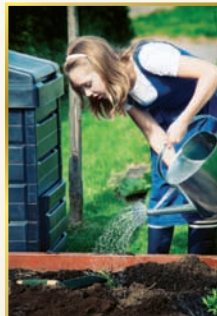
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Announcing 11th Annual Backyard Composting Workshop

Sponsored by
South San Francisco Scavenger Co.

*And San Mateo County
RecycleWorks Program*

Composting fruit and vegetable scraps, leaves, plants and grass cuttings is the best way to enrich your garden soil, improve water retention and reduce the need for pesticides. Come and learn about backyard composting and vermiculture (*worm bin*) from a master composter. Workshop attendees will be eligible for a drawing to win a compost bin and a worm bin!



**Please call 650.589.4020 x 105
and reserve a space now.**

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Free Compost Workshop

Saturday, March 24, 2012

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

**South San Francisco
Scavenger Company**

**500 East Jamie Court
(East Grand/Haskins Way)**

Frequently Asked Questions in 2011

FAQ

Questions about plastics continue to be at the top of the list. Most questions are about a specific product such as Styrofoam, plastic bags and old VHS tapes.

Answer:

We can't recycle the items listed above however, we can often help you find outlets for them. So please give us a call 650.589.4020 or check our website at www.ssfscavenger.com. Another great resource is RecycleWorks at 1.888.442.2666 or www.recycleworks.org



Other questions relate to the plastic numbering system, 1 through 7, stamped on the product. For example, which of the numbers are recyclable or can all products with a number inside the chasing arrow be recycled?

Answer:

Since the numbers are often misleading, you can ignore them. The real test is whether the product is some type of container. Examples of recyclable plastic containers include: Bottles, jugs, tubs, pails & take-away food containers.



Sustainable Millbrae 2012 Workshop Series

FREE Workshops - Everyone is welcome to attend!

The workshops are held from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm at the Millbrae Library, 1 Library Ave.

Admission is free.

For more Information and to RSVP: 650.259.2339.

- Saving Water for the Garden: Rainwater, Graywater and Conservation, February 16, 2012
- Backyard Composting, April 19, 2012
- Growing Your Own Organic & Sustainable Garden, May 17, 2012

Resource Information

South San Francisco Scavenger Co.

- ◆ Debris and mini debris box service
- ◆ On Call Clean-Ups
Take advantage of your **two** annual On Call Clean-Ups for extra trash and bulky items.
- ◆ No Trace Mobile Document Destruction –
At your home or business



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Blue Line Transfer, Inc.

Public Disposal and Recycling Facility

- ◆ Drop off for San Mateo County Residents
 - Car batteries
 - Household batteries (\$) • Used motor oil & filters
 - Sharps Containers
 - Fluorescent tubes & bulbs (\$) • Latex paint
 - Cooking oil (\$) • Antifreeze

San Mateo County

- ◆ Household Hazardous Waste Program
Free drop off – by appointment only
For pesticides, toxic garden & cleaning products, oil based paint, varnishes, stains, household batteries, fluorescent tubes & bulbs, etc.

650.363.4718
www.smhealth.org/hhw

San Mateo County RecycleWorks Program

Provides information on **where to donate reusable items** & where to recycle items that are not accepted in your curbside recycle cart.

Hotline 1.888.442.2666 www.RecycleWorks.org



City of Millbrae

Millbrae City Council Considers a Single-Use Carryout Bag Ordinance

Plastic or paper? Neither!

The City encourages you to choose to reuse! Single-use carryout bags are the bags used for groceries, clothing and other purchased items from stores. The bags are typically used one time and then discarded. Single-use carryout plastic bags in particular tend to become litter, which adversely affect the local and marine environment. A number of cities and counties throughout California have implemented single-use carryout bags ordinances in an effort to reduce the number of bags that can end up as litter and to encourage the use of reusable shopping bags. The Millbrae City Council discussed this topic at their October 11, 2011 meeting and will again, at the January 24, 2012 meeting to consider prohibiting the distribution of single-use carryout bags at retail stores.



To learn if this Ordinance was adopted, please visit the City website at www.ci.millbrae.ca.us/sustainablemillbrae or call 650.259.2444.

Millbrae residents can pick-up a free reusable shopping bag at the Public Works counter at City Hall.



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