#### Welcome to

# recycLA





#### Goal



#### 1 million tons less to landfill every year









#### Zero Waste Team



The Zero Waste Team is on a mission to change the "trash" culture: use less, recycle more, share ideas, and foster local sustainable living.



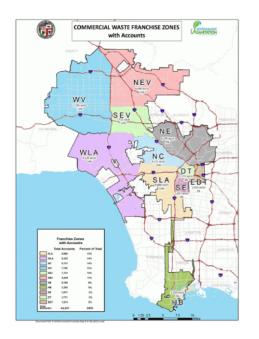




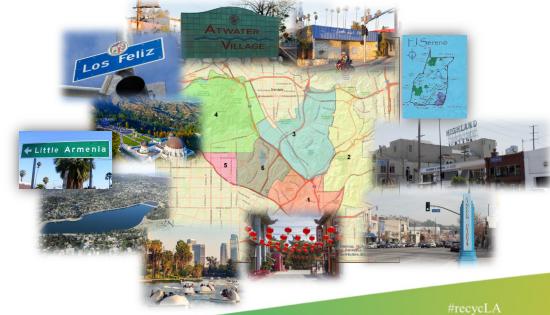


#### Who We Serve





We operate in the dynamic community of Northeast Los Angeles.







# Three Bin System



#### **LANDFILL**

#### **RECYCLING**

**ORGANICS** 











# Why recycle?



#### It's the Law

- AB 341: CA Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law;
- AB 1826: CA Mandatory Commercial and Multi-family Organics Recycling;
- SB 1383: Mandatory Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reductions;

#### For the Environment

- Use Fewer Natural Resources;
- Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions;
- Maximize Remaining Landfill Space;

#### **Save Money**

 With recycLA, recycling is incentivized through the rate structure: any size or number of recycling containers included in your rate!





# What can I recycle?













## Paper



- Computer paper
- Ledger paper
- Newspaper
- Computer paper
- Magazines
- Arts and craft paper
- File folders
- Unwanted mail

- Paper bags
- Flyers
- Telephone books
- Note cards
- Post-It notes
- Catalogs
- All envelopes, including those with windows





#### Cardboard



- Cereal boxes
- Tissue boxes
- Shoe boxes
- Dry food boxes
- Paper towel and toilet paper <u>rolls</u>
- Cardboard boxes













# Cartons (Empty)



- Fruit juice boxes and cartons
- Orange juice cartons
- Milk cartons
- Wine boxes
- Soy milk, rice milk and almond milk boxes and cartons
- Heavy cream cartons
- Egg substitute cartons

















## Metals



(Clean, Dry and Empty)

All aluminum, tin and bi-metal cans, wiped out if possible, including:

- Soda cans
- Juice cans
- Soup cans
- Vegetable cans
- Pet food cans
- Pie tins
- Clean aluminum foil
- Wire hangers
- Empty paint and aerosol cans with plastic caps removed







# Glass (Clean, Dry and Empty)



All glass bottles and jars, rinsed if possible,

#### including:

- Soda bottles
- Wine bottles
- Beer bottles
- Food jars
- Spaghetti sauce
- Pickles
- Jelly/Jams
- Broken bottles & jars







#### Plastic

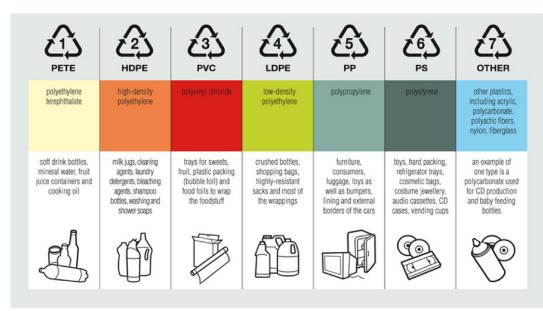




We accept all plastics numbered 1 through 7!

Some of the best plastic containers for recycling include:

- Soda and juice bottles
- Bleach and detergent containers
- Shampoo and mouthwash bottles
- Milk jugs
- Plastic planters, buckets, crates
- Produce clamshells





## Not all plastics are equal....





"Is this recyclable?" vs.
"Will this get recycled?"



# **Recycling Contamination**



When non-recyclable materials are thrown into a recycling bin, they can contaminate the whole recycling load and cause it to be landfilled instead of recycled.

Blue containers are considered contaminated if more that 20% of the material in the recycling container is non-recyclable.

Green containers are even more sensitive to contamination, since any non-organic materials could end up contaminating our soil and food.













# Internal Recycling



Having the right recycling bins in the right locations can help your recycling programs tremendously.











#### Food and Yard Waste



#### New focus of California legislature:

AB1826



#### Compliance options:

- Donate food surplus;
- Subscribe to organics recycling service through Universal Waste Systems;
- Compost!



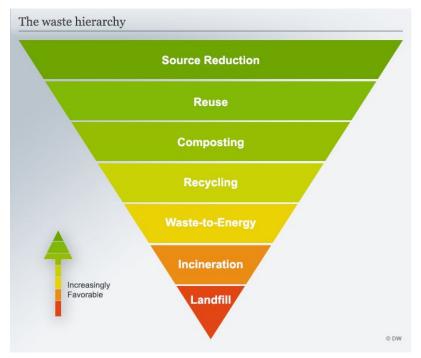


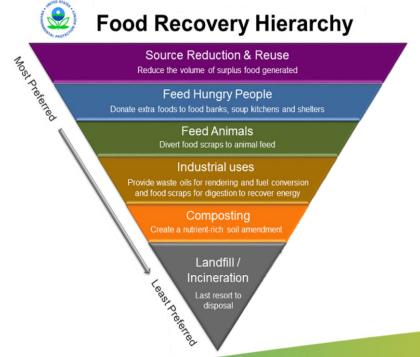




#### Food Rescue and Reuse















# recycLA means Free Recycling Education!

#### We offer:

- Presentations
- Staff training in multiple languages
- Tabling and participation in events
- Recycling games
- Social media shout-outs
- Long-term diversion planning









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