



# **MANDATORY RECYCLING & ORGANICS SERVICES**

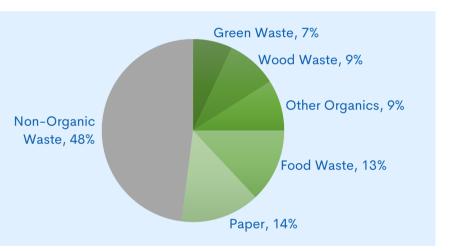
New Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383) regulations went into effect on January 1, 2022. This law requires jurisdictions to establish organics recycling services for all residents and businesses, including multifamily complexes.

SB 1383 aims to reduce statewide organic waste disposal by 75% by 2025. When disposed in landfills, organic waste emits:

- 20% of California's methane, a climate super pollutant 84 times more potent than carbon dioxide
- Air pollutants like PM 2.5, which contributes to health conditions like asthma\*

# The Golden State: We're Wasting Far Too Much Food

Californians send 11.2 billion pounds of food to landfills annually, and organic waste makes up over 50 percent of what landfills receive each year.



## **Subscribe to Recycling & Organics Services**

All businesses, multi-family complexes, and residents MUST participate in the established program by subscribing to services for Black, Blue, and Green containers and by separating materials as shown below:

What goes into **BLACK**: What goes into **BLUE**: What goes into **GREEN**: **Trash** Recyclables **Food Scraps** Pet waste, diapers, Clean & dry metal Food scraps. plastic bags, styrofoam containers and **EXCLUDES** fats, & other plastic to-go products, glass bottles oils, & grease food packaging, & containers, \*Yard trimmings bin disposable gloves & cardboard, paper, available for any grass, masks, chip bags newspaper, & plastics weeds, leaves, flowers & #1, #2, and #5 small branches

<sup>\*</sup> Source, CalRecycle: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp

### **How to Comply**

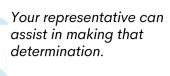
All businesses, property owners, and property managers MUST:

- Participate in available programs
- Educate employees & tenants at least one time per year, and new tenants within 14 days of tenancy
- Monitor for proper sorting and take corrective actions when needed
- Color code internal bins and place proper signage
- Offer customers access to separate collection bins

Failure to comply may result in enforcement actions and fines!

### Are You Eligible for a Waiver?

Some businesses MAY be eligible for a waiver if they produce minimal amounts organic material.





SB 1383 requires certain food businesses to donate the maximum amount of edible food they would otherwise dispose, to food recovery organizations.



Mandated businesses need to enter into a formal agreement with a food recovery organization and track all donations. Contact us for help and questions.



**Tier 1 Businesses/Organizations** must begin donating by January 1, 2022. Tier 1 includes:

- Supermarkets
- Grocery Stores of ≥ 10,000 sq. ft.
- Food Service Providers
- Food Distributors
- Wholesale Food Vendors

# Tier 2 Businesses/Organizations must begin donating by January 1, 2024. Tier 2 includes:

 Restaurants with Facilities ≥ 5,000 sq. ft. or 250+ Seats

 Hotels with an On-Site Food Facility & 200+ Rooms

 Health Facilities with an On-Site Food Facility & 100+ Beds



 State Agency Cafeterias with Facilities ≥ 5,000 sq. ft. or 250+ seats

 Local Education Agency with an On-Site Food Facility

Non-Local Entities



### **Edible Food Must Be Donated**

Businesses may not knowingly allow edible food to spoil to avoid donation requirements.

Effective January 1, 2022, the city will commence monitoring activities to ensure compliance.

### Think Outside the Black Bin!

The easiest, cheapest, and most sustainable way to manage organic waste is to avoid creating it in the first place.

To reduce organic waste at its source:

- Perform a food waste audit to see what food is being wasted & why
- Avoid over purchasing and over preparing
- Serve smaller portion sizes
- Properly store & label food items

For remaining organic waste, consider alternative disposal methods:

- Recycle organic waste on-site through composting or anaerobic digestion systems
- Send organic waste to a local community composting site
- Donate food scraps to a local farm
- Subscribe to NASA's organic waste service. Food scraps are taken to be anaerobically digested & generate energy. Yard trimmings are processed at a mulching facility

### We're Here to Support You

We can help you determine if your business is a mandated Tier 1 or Tier 2 Edible Food Generator and provide resources to help you comply with the law.

Visit bit.ly/LACountyFoodDROP. Use Find a Recycler, then select Food Donation to find an organization to collect food from you.

For more on food donors: bit.ly/CalRecycleFoodDonors

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