

APARTMENTS CONDOMINIUMS TOWN HOMES MOBILE HOMES

Multifamily *Recycling Guide*



Being part of the solution for a greener
and cleaner world starts with you!



What is a Multifamily Community?



Any property with a minimum of five residential housing units:

Apartments

Condominiums

Town Homes

Mobile Homes

Retirement & Senior Living Housing

Why Recycle?

It's the law! In July 2012, through Assembly Bill 341 (AB341) the State of California established a goal to divert at least **75% of waste from landfills by the year 2020**. AB 341 requires that businesses and multifamily complexes implement a recycling program. In addition to state laws, the City of Carlsbad requires the separation of recycling and trash as per Carlsbad Municipal Code section 6.08.020.



It's easy! Recycling at home, school, and your workplace can be easy and convenient. In Carlsbad, residents can recycle paper, cardboard, plastic, bottles, cans, and other materials. This guide will help you identify the materials that can be recycled in your community.

It creates jobs! It is a mainstream industry accounting for approximately **85,000 jobs and producing \$10 billion in products and services** per year. That's equivalent to the size of the movie industry in California.

It saves energy! It takes **95% less energy** to make an aluminum can out of recycled aluminum than out of raw virgin materials. Making glass from recycled material allows manufacturers to run their furnaces at lower temperatures, which saves energy.

**Did You Know?
75% of our waste
is recyclable!**

It preserves natural resources! Reducing, reusing, and recycling cuts down on the amount of raw material needed to create new products, lessening the overall impact on natural resources. And by sending less material to landfills, Americans can put a dent in the amount of trash we produce each day.

You can make a difference!

Learn about what materials are recyclable in your community.

Avoid contamination; when trash is mixed with recyclables it all goes to the landfill. When in doubt, leave it out!

Encourage family, friends, and neighbors to recycle!

Tips For A Successful Recycling Program At Your Complex

Residents

Inside this guide you will find all the information you need to recycle like a pro!

1. **Request recycling information** from your property manager upon moving into your complex.
2. **Know what belongs** in the recycling container, the trash container and what to do with hazardous waste.
3. **Know the locations** of the containers nearest you.
4. **Moving in?** Check with your property manager on how to properly recycle cardboard boxes at your complex.
5. **Moving out?** For disposal of large or bulky items you can call Waste Management at 760-929-9400 for a FREE bulky item pick up of up to 5 items 3 times per year. You may need to coordinate with your property manager.
6. **Think if** you can reuse, repurpose, repair or donate materials before throwing them away. Visit WasteFreeSD.org for more ideas.



Property Managers

Make it easy! Educate your residents on recycling best practices at your complex!

1. **Contact City of Carlsbad Recycling Program staff for assistance** setting up a recycling program at your multifamily complex.
2. **Introduce new residents** to your property's recycling program as soon as they move in. If possible, do a walk-through of the property and visit the recycling area.
3. **Assist residents with signage** on or near containers explaining proper sorting of recyclables. This information should be clearly legible and include pictures to assist residents with what goes in what container.
4. **Make sure containers are located** in high traffic, convenient areas and are labeled properly with pictures of what is recyclable or not recyclable.
5. **Provide reminders to residents** on the importance of responsible recycling behavior. With every newsletter or community notice, remind residents that you care about the community and reemphasize the value of recycling.
6. **Work with Waste Management** to see what size container would suit your multifamily complex. Plan out how many you might need depending on the size of your complex. You might need larger or smaller containers than you think. **Getting the right size containers can prevent overfilling and may save you money.**
7. **Provide this guide** or information upon move in to all incoming residents so they can be contributors to the success of the recycling program right away.
8. **As residents move out**, provide information on where they can donate their gently used materials or properly dispose of those materials that cannot be donated.



Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Options

Household hazardous waste must be disposed of properly because these materials contain ingredients that are dangerous to people, animals and the environment. It is illegal to dispose of toxic material in the trash. Carlsbad residents have several options for proper disposal of household hazardous waste.

Household Hazardous Waste

Some examples of household hazardous waste are:

- Cleaners/Bleach/Disinfectants
- Pesticides/Fertilizers/Weed Killers
- Auto Filter/Fluids/Batteries
- Household Batteries
- Fluorescent/CFL Bulbs
- Paint/Varnish/Stains
- Bug Sprays
- E-Waste
- Sharps/Needles
- Pharmaceuticals



Electronic/Universal Waste

Many electronic products can be reused, refurbished or recycled. Carlsbad residents can help reduce waste by discarding electronic waste at one of the household hazardous waste facilities, or Waste Management's Buyback Center. Residents can also schedule a bulky item/electronic waste collection through Waste Management or a door-to-door pick-up through Stericycle. Some common electronic products are:

- Computers
- Printers
- Fax Machines
- Microwave Ovens
- Televisions
- DVD Players
- CD Players
- VCRs
- Stereos
- Cell Phones



Sharps and Needles

Carlsbad residents may take their sharps or needles to a household hazardous waste facility and place them in the authorized container at the facility. Waste Management also offers residents the option to drop off sharps and needles at the Buyback Center, located at 5960 El Camino Real in Carlsbad.



The city has contracted with Waste Management to provide residents with a limited number of free mail-back sharps kits that are available at their main office located at 5960 El Camino Real in Carlsbad. These kits include an approved sharps container and a postage prepaid mail-back box for convenient sharps disposal. Due to limited availability, each household will be limited to one mail-back kit per year. Please call Waste Management at 760-929-9400 for more information.

Pharmaceuticals

The City of Carlsbad in partnership with Waste Management provides an annual pharmaceutical collection event. For more information on this event please check the city's website.



You may also utilize the dropoff program established by the San Diego County Sheriff's Department. Residents are able to drop-off pharmaceuticals anonymously 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Drop box locations and more information is available here:

www.sdsheiff.net/prescription-drugs/dropbox.html

The city also provides a safe, anonymous disposal drop box at the City of Carlsbad Safety Center, 2560 Orion Way, Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Please do not flush unwanted pharmaceuticals down the toilet due to detrimental environmental effects on recycled and treated water.

Drop off Locations

Household hazardous waste collection service is provided by Waste Management and Stericycle. This drop-off service is **free** with proof of residency.

Stericycle Collection Facility

1145 East Taylor St.
Vista, CA 92084
Saturdays 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
No appointment necessary
800-714-1195

Waste Management Recycling Facility

2880 Industry St.
Oceanside, CA 92054
Alternating Saturdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
By appointment only
760-929-9400

Door-to-Door

The City of Carlsbad provides service through Stericycle to collect household hazardous waste material from the front door of residents' homes for a \$10 fee. This service is available by appointment only. Please call Stericycle at 800-714-1195 to schedule collection.

Other Recycling & Disposal Services Available in Carlsbad

Items too big for the recycle or trash container? Schedule a bulky item collection.

Waste Management provides free collection of up to five large items such as furniture or appliances from your home three times annually. To schedule a bulky item pick up, contact Waste Management at 866-WM RECYCLE or 760-929-9400 at least 24 hours in advance of your regular collection day. You may need to coordinate with your property manager. Acceptable bulky items:



- Barbeque (no propane tank)
- Basketball Hoop (6 feet or less)
- Bath Tub (no shower)
- Bed Frame
- Bookshelf
- Boxspring/Mattress
- Chair/Recliner
- Closet Doors (2 non-glass)
- Computer/Monitor
- Couch/Sofa
- Desk
- Dishwasher
- Door
- Dresser
- Dryer
- File Cabinet
- Ladder (8 feet or less)
- Lawn Mower (no gas)
- Microwave Oven
- Mirrors (package between two pieces of cardboard, or completely tape with heavy duty tape to prevent shattering)
- Patio Furniture (one item)
- Printer
- Refrigerator/Freezer
- Rugs
- Sink
- Spa Cover (cut in half)
- Stove
- Swing Set (disassemble and bundle)
- Table (dining, end, coffee)
- Television
- Toilet
- Washer
- Water Heater (empty of water)
- Wood/Lumber (4'X18" bundles, 4 bundles equals one bulky item)

Ready to try Composting?

Composting is nature's way of recycling. By learning how to turn organic waste into fertilizer, you can turn food scraps, yard trimmings, and other organic materials into nutrient rich fertilizer! The City of Carlsbad offers free composting workshops and low cost compost bins. Start today!



Diverting food waste from the landfill reduces greenhouse gas emissions.

Free Composting Workshops

Please check the City of Carlsbad's website for schedule and registration information at www.carlsbadca.gov

Low Cost Compost Bins

The City of Carlsbad offers low cost compost bins to Carlsbad residents. For more information please visit our website at www.carlsbadca.gov, send a request to recycle.trash@carlsbadca.gov or call 760-602-4646.

Donate unwanted, slightly used clothing, furniture and other household items to local non-profit organizations.

Holiday Tree Collection

Holiday tree drop off locations in Carlsbad are:

- **Calavera Hills Community Park**
2997 Glasgow Drive
- **Fire Station 1**
1275 Carlsbad Village Drive
- **Stagecoach Community Park**
3420 Camino de los Cochese
- **Poinsettia Community Park**
6600 Hidden Valley Road

These collection sites open on December 26, and remain open for three weeks thereafter.



Recycling & Trash Separation

Recycle – You can place it in one bin!

Plastic containers ♻️-♻️

Water bottles, juice bottles, milk jugs

Aluminum/tin cans

Cardboard, 12-pack soda boxes

Junk mail, magazines, phone books

Glass bottles, jars

Newspapers, inserts

Office papers

Cardboard egg cartons

Empty aerosol cans

Pie tins

Computer/white paper

Coupons

Brown paper bags

Cereal boxes (lining removed)

Tissue boxes

Clean pizza boxes

Laundry detergent boxes/bottles



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Green Waste

Lawn clippings

Leaves and weeds

Tree branches and shrubs

Garden Trimmings

Sawdust

Wood (untreated, not painted)



Trash

Wax paper

Food wrapping

Floor sweepings

Food Waste*

Candy wrappers

Paper towels, tissues

Broken glass, mirrors

Ceramic dishware, pots

Dirty or food soiled paper*

Polystyrene foam, packing peanuts

**These materials are compostable*



Waste Hierarchy

You can find more information and ways to save money and care for the environment at WasteFreeSD.org.

Reduce

Reduction of materials is the best practice. Try to reduce packaging in particular when you purchase products, or plan ahead about your projected use of a product.

Reuse/Repurpose

Think of ways you might be able to reuse a product or repurpose it for another task. Great examples of repurposing can be found at WasteFreeSD.org.

Repair

Maybe your product can be repaired? There are tons of resources out there which can be cost effective and easier than disposal.

Donate

Donating is a great option. Donate to organizations like Goodwill, the Salvation Army or your local religious organization to extend the lifespan of your items.

Recycle

Look for your recycling container and consult with this guide to make sure the right items are going into the right container.

Disposal (Landfill)

Look for your designated trash bin and consult with this guide to make sure the right items are going in the trash.

Room by Room Recycling Tips

Kitchen

Recycle old, unwanted appliances

Compost kitchen scraps

Learn how to properly store food to make it last longer

Garage

Properly dispose of household cleaners, automotive fluids, and other toxic chemicals

Learn how to store chemicals properly to make them last longer

Bathroom

Recycle empty personal hygiene product containers

Properly dispose of unused medications

Bedrooms

Donate all unwanted clothes

Recycle torn or old textiles

Home Office

Recycle all paper

Properly dispose of old, unwanted or broken electronics



Move In, Move Out Tips

- Donate old or unwanted goods, clothing, electronics, small appliances and furniture.
- Post on Craigslist, Facebook, Freecycle and other media outlets.
- Plan ahead, start collecting boxes and newspapers to wrap items.
- Recycle all cardboard boxes and newspaper, flatten boxes to save space in the recycling container.
- Leaving bulky items behind is considered illegal dumping. Contact Waste Management at 760-929-9400 to arrange for a bulky item pick up. You may need to coordinate with your property manager.

Useful Contacts

Waste Management Main Office

5960 El Camino Real
Carlsbad, CA 92008
760-929-9400
www.northcounty.wm.com

City of Carlsbad Customer Service & Billing

1635 Faraday Ave.
Carlsbad, CA 92008
760-602-2420
Includes new service, disconnections,
stop/start service, billing questions.

City of Carlsbad Recycling & Trash Services

1635 Faraday Ave.
Carlsbad, CA 92008
760-602-4646
recycle.trash@carlsbadca.gov

Waste Management Buy Back Center

5960 El Camino Real
Carlsbad, CA 92008
760-929-9400
Hours: Tues thru Sat 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Closed daily 12:00 p.m. – 12:40 p.m.

Palomar Transfer Station

5960 El Camino Real
Carlsbad, CA 92008
760-603-0153
Hours: Mon thru Fri 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Hours: Sat thru Sun 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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