



Proud to be your service provider for the collection of **Recyclables, Organics, & Garbage.**

# Single-Family Residential News

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2021

## Don't Waste Food!

**40% of all food in America is wasted. Follow these tips to prevent wasting food.**

**FIND FOOD WASTE PREVENTION TIPS AT: [www.SavetheFood.com](http://www.SavetheFood.com)**

- **STORE ITEMS PROPERLY** - Learn the best way to store food and how long it should stay there.
- **SHOP YOUR FRIDGE** - Get creative! Use food you already have on hand.
- **MEAL PLAN** - Use the interactive Meal Prep Mate and Guest-imator tools at [www.SavetheFood.com](http://www.SavetheFood.com).
- **GET SOCIAL** - Follow @Savethefood on social media for recipes, videos, and more!
- **SAFETY FIRST** - Get the latest news, alerts, tips and answers to your questions about safely handling and storing food at [www.foodsafety.gov](http://www.foodsafety.gov).



### FOOD RESCUE & FOOD BANK RESOURCES:

- [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/Food/Donation/](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/Food/Donation/)
- Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano: [www.foodbankccs.org](http://www.foodbankccs.org)

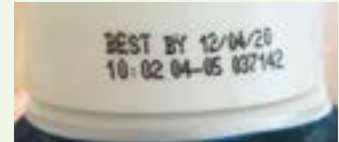
### PROPER SORTING MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Put inedible food scraps and food-soiled paper in your **ORGANICS** cart.



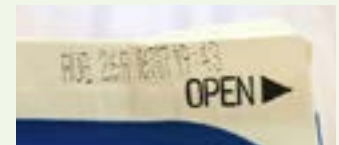
## Understanding Food Product Date Labels

**Regardless of the printed date, always evaluate the quality of food prior to its consumption or disposal.**



### "BEST BY"

Indicates when a product will be of best flavor or quality. Not a purchase/safety date.



### "SELL BY"

Tells the store how long to display the product for sale for inventory management. Not a safety date.



### "USE BY"

Last date recommended for use of the product while at peak quality. Not a safety date except when used on infant formula.

Try the **FoodKeeper App** to help you use food while at peak quality and reduce waste. Visit: [www.foodsafety.gov/keep-food-safe/foodkeeper-app](http://www.foodsafety.gov/keep-food-safe/foodkeeper-app).

## Manage & Dispose of “FOG” Properly

*Improper disposal of Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) will pollute the environment and clog your pipes and sewer/septic systems.*

- For small amounts of FOG, scrape out or wipe and place in the green **Organics** cart.
- For large amounts of FOG, use the curbside cooking oil collection program! Residents may place used cooking oil (in sealed 1-gallon containers provided by ACI of San Ramon or the original sealed container) at the curb for collection each week. Contact us to request containers.
- For even **LARGER** amounts of FOG (large containers 5-gallons or less) such as from a turkey deep fryer, contact ACI of San Ramon to arrange collection.



## Free Household Paint Disposal with Paintcare

**DID YOU KNOW?** Leftover household paint, stains, or sealants can be dropped off at participating PaintCare site locations at no charge. Some restrictions apply, please visit [PaintCare.org](http://PaintCare.org) for more information.



## Holiday Service Schedule

**THANKSGIVING WEEK:** If your regular collection day is Thursday or Friday, service will be one day later.

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S DAY WEEK:** There are **NO CHANGES** to the residential service schedule.

NOVEMBER 22 - 26, 2021					
If your collection day is:	Mon. 22	Tue. 23	Wed. 24	Thu. 25	Fri. 26
Your holiday collection day will be:	Mon. 22	Tue. 23	Wed. 24	Fri. 26	Sat. 27

**DECEMBER 20 - 24, 2021**  
There are **NO CHANGES** to the residential service schedule during the Christmas Holiday week.

**DECEMBER 27 - 31, 2021**  
There are **NO CHANGES** to the residential service schedule during the New Year's Day Holiday week.



**WATCH YOUR MAILBOX IN MID-DECEMBER OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR INFO ABOUT HOLIDAY TREE COLLECTION.**

*Everyone at ACI of San Ramon wishes you the happiest of holidays and a prosperous New Year!*



**Contact us:** Monday - Friday, 9am - 7pm  
610 Aladdin Avenue, San Leandro, CA 94577  
phone: 925-380-9480  
email: [info@alamedacountyindustries.com](mailto:info@alamedacountyindustries.com)  
website: [www.SanRamonRecycles.com](http://www.SanRamonRecycles.com)



For a comprehensive list of what belongs in your collection containers, scan the QR code at left or on your containers to visit: [www.SanRamonSort.com](http://www.SanRamonSort.com).

Printed on recycled paper. Please recycle again!



**Sign up for paperless & auto-pay billing!**  
Visit our website and click on the red “**Account Login**” button in the upper right-hand corner to get started.