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Multi-Family Residential News

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TRASH-FREE IDEA FOR YOUR TENANTS

Tips for Reusing Plastic Bags



Even if you use reusable shopping bags, there's a good chance you have some plastic grocery bags somewhere in your home. In addition to using the bags for trash, storage, and even picking up after the dog, here are a few more creative ways to reuse those plastic grocery bags.

- **Use it as a wet bag.** To separate wet bathing suits from dry contents, toss a grocery bag or two into your beach bag when you pack for the day.
- **Pack shoes in suitcases.** Before you head out on your vacation, wrap shoes in plastic bags before packing them in a suitcase to keep your soles from dirtying garments.
- **Use as travel hampers.** Pack a few extra grocery bags (in addition to those you use for separating shoes) to stash dirty laundry while you travel.
- **Stuff into shoes and purses to retain their shape.** Plastic bags stuffed into purses, shoes, and boots can help these items retain their shape between uses.
- **Protect fragile items while moving.** Wrap fragile belongings, like vases or ceramic platters, in bags before placing them in moving boxes. This prevents items from hitting against each other and reduces breakage.



Plastic bags can also be used in various craft projects and home improvement jobs. Search the internet for ideas and inspiration.



STATE LAW SB 1383 Recycling and Organics Service is Required

Multi-family complexes must subscribe to adequate levels of service for recyclables, organics, and garbage. Visit CalRecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp for more info about the Mandatory Commercial Recycling Ordinances. Many complexes find that they can reduce costs by maximizing their recycling and organics services and reducing garbage service.

Educate your management, maintenance staff, and tenants on proper sorting and disposal. We can help!

ACI of San Ramon Sustainability Specialists are available to provide waste assessments, give presentations regarding the collection program and proper sorting tips. We can

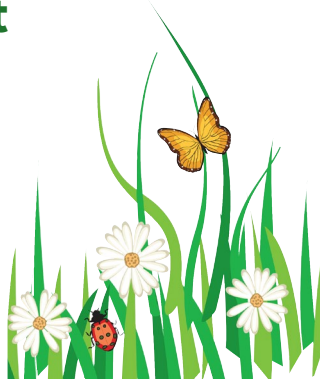
also provide recycling totes, kitchen pails, and educational materials.



The Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO)

A statewide water conservation law for new and renovated landscapes.

The ordinance regulates water usage in new and renovated landscapes. It imposes restrictions on high water-consuming plants and irrigation systems while promoting a comprehensive approach to landscaping that integrates alternative water sources such as gray water, harvested rainwater, and recycled water.



Who needs to comply? Any single-family or multi-family residential, public, institutional, or commercial project that requires a permit, plan review, or check from the local review agency AND meets one of these size thresholds needs to comply:

- New construction project with a total landscape area* greater than 500 sq. ft.
- Rehabilitation of existing landscape with a total landscape area* greater than 2,500 sq. ft.

Need more info? Visit SanRamon.ca.gov/MWELO

*Total landscape area includes swimming pools, fountains, and other water features.



People Sort Your Recyclables

Our Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) sorting staff thanks you for keeping them safe by making sure needles, sharps, masks, gloves, wipes, tissues, garbage, organics (*including food scraps and food-soiled paper*), and anything with bodily fluids on it stay out of the recycling stream. Scan the QR code to watch what happens to your recyclables after they are collected.



SERVICE PROVIDED ON LABOR DAY

There are NO CHANGES to the collection schedule during the week of Labor Day.

SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR TENANTS! This newsletter can be downloaded and printed from our website: SanRamonRecycles.com/multi-family/resources



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