



Proud to be your service provider for the collection of **Recyclables**, Garbage, Food Scraps, & **Yard Trimmings**.

Commercial Customer News

DECEMBER 2025

Prevent Food Waste!

Californians throw away nearly 6 million tons of food waste each year. Milpitas kept 3,217 tons of food waste out of the landfill in 2024 by putting it in the food scraps bin, but we can do even better.



GIVE EDIBLE LEFTOVERS TO EMPLOYEES OR DONATE EDIBLE FOOD TO A CHARITY OR FOOD BANK.

- Second Harvest Food Bank of Silicon Valley
www.shfb.org or (408) 266-8866.
- Visit www.sccfoodrecovery.org to find other potential food recovery organizations that you can connect with.



Did You Know?

You're protected when you donate leftover food. The Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act passed in 1996 protects restaurants from civil and criminal liability should a recipient get ill or hurt as a result of consumed donated food (unless gross negligence or intentional misconduct).

TAX INCENTIVES FOR FOOD DONATION

Federal and State tax incentives can help offset the costs of donating surplus food. All types of businesses are eligible. Learn more in this one-page fact sheet on tax incentives.



HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS WEEK:

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

DECEMBER 22-27, 2025				
If your collection day is:	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.
22	23	24	25	26
Your holiday collection day will be:	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Fri.
	22	23	24	26
				Sat.
				27

NEW YEAR'S DAY WEEK:

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

DECEMBER 29 - JANUARY 3				
If your collection day is:	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.
29	30	31	1	2
Your holiday collection day will be:	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Fri.
	29	30	31	2
				Sat.
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Still Have Food Waste?

Make sure to place any remaining food scraps, coffee filters, or tea bags in your **brown food scraps** container. If you bag these items before placing them in your **food scraps** container, **use only clear bags**. This keeps these items out of the landfill and ensures they get recycled into valuable resources.



We're Here to Help!

Need help getting started with new services, optimizing your current service setup, or finding the answers to your waste sorting questions? Contact us! Our outreach coordinator is happy to:

- Assist you with starting, or improving, your recycling, food scraps, and yard trimmings services
- Visit your business to conduct waste assessments
- Make service suggestions
- Provide posters, service guides, and other educational resources
- Provide training for employees and tenants



Switch to Reusable

Nearly 1/3 of all waste we produce is composed of disposable packaging. Switching from disposable to reusable packaging can not only contribute to a healthier environment, but can also save your business time, money, and energy. Scan the QR code below or visit usereusables.org to learn more.



COMPLETE OUR SURVEY FOR A CHANCE TO RECEIVE A \$50 CREDIT ON YOUR NEXT BILL

We want to know what we're doing well, what we could improve on, and everything in between, so that we can serve you better.

Scan the QR code to go to our free online survey. Submit your survey responses by **January 1, 2026** to be entered in a raffle to win a **\$50 credit**. Only completed surveys are entered. The winner will be selected in January and notified via email.



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Recycle, Rot, & Donate!

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