

What is SB 1383?



In 2016, Governor Brown signed SB 1383 into law, establishing methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants (SLCP) in various sectors of California’s economy. SB 1383 established targets:

75%

Reduction of organic waste disposal in landfills by 2025

20%

Rescue of currently wasted surplus food by 2025

The Law

Senate Bill 1383 was signed into law to combat climate change and reduce landfill methane emissions from decomposing organic materials. Methane is a climate super pollutant, 84 times more potent than carbon dioxide. Organics like food scraps, yard trimmings, paper and cardboard currently make up 50% of what Californians dump in landfills. By diverting organic waste, we can significantly reduce local air emissions.

What Does It Mean?

This law requires your waste hauler to collect your organic waste, including food waste, and dispose of it in a more sustainable manner, instead of simply taking it to the landfill.

What Is Organic Waste?

Organic waste includes most food, green waste, landscape materials and soiled paper, among other items. Generally speaking, think of items that are grown.

Who Is Affected?

Everyone. Residents, multi-family properties and complexes, businesses, schools and public agencies all need to comply with the law and enroll in an organics recycling program.

What Can I Place In My Organics Container?



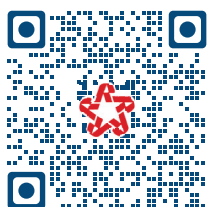
Yard Waste



Food Waste



Food-Soiled Paper & Paper Bags



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What Happens to My Organic Waste?

Your organic waste is composted at Kochergen Farms Composting, a high diversion organic waste processing facility in the Central Valley. For more information, visit Kochergenfarmscomposting.com.

How Do I Sign Up for Organic Waste Collection?

Unless you are approved for a waiver by the city, you should be receiving regular organics collection from Republic Services. If you are not receiving organic waste collection, please call us at **559.275.1551** to begin service.

Can I Apply for a Waiver for Organic Waste Collection from Republic Services?

The City of Fresno requires all businesses and multi-family properties to subscribe to organic waste collection services unless they have an approved waiver for an alternative service (such as back-haul, self-haul, shared service or a third-party service provider). Remember, all organic waste must be diverted from the trash, which means if you are only diverting yard waste through a landscaper, you must have organics recycling service for food. To apply for a waiver, visit RepublicServices.com/municipality/fresno-ca.

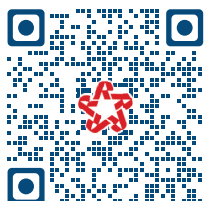
What Happens If I Don't Comply?

You may be subject to a notice of violation and enforcement action by the City. The City of Fresno's ordinance 6-216 (h) went into effect January 1, 2024. It states that if the City determines that a customer, hauler, commercial edible food generator, food recovery organization, food recovery service or other entity is not in compliance or is in violation, the City will issue a notice of violation and take enforcement action.

This Is All Great To Know, But How Else Can I Help Divert Organic Waste From the Landfill?

You can be proactive about reducing methane emissions by reducing your own organic waste generation. Some simple ways:

- › Making a shopping list to buy only what you need.
- › Freeze leftovers, and eat them later.
- › Implement self-composting practices at home. Visit Calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/homecompost for more information.
- › Monitor food containers to determine what is being thrown out, when and why. Adjust purchasing policies to reduce food orders based on findings.
- › Arrange to donate edible food (mandatory for Tier 1 and Tier 2 food generators). For more information, visit RepublicServices.com/municipality/fresno-ca.



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