

Community Newsletter

Recycling, Organics and Waste Services



How to make your holidays more sustainable

A big part of the holidays is spending time with our family and enjoying a delicious meal together. We fill our Thanksgiving plates with mashed potatoes, stuffing, roasted veggies, turkey, and apple-cranberry walnut salad. Every side dish and entrée looks so delicious, and you fill your plate to the brim, only to realize that your eyes were bigger than your stomach. Oh, no! You realize you can't finish it all, and the result is a considerable amount of food waste on your plate.

This holiday season, it's important to be conscious about how much food we place on our plates to help reduce food waste. One good way to help reduce food waste is by offering your guests to take leftovers home. Or, you can research leftover recipes to reuse and remake your leftovers into new tasty dishes, like turkey cranberry sandwiches! However, if you do generate food waste this holiday season, please remember to place any food waste in your organics cart, not the trash cart. By using the organics cart, this food waste will be taken to a facility and will be turned into nutrient-rich compost.

Lastly, if you generate cooking oil this holiday season, do not pour your cooking oil down the drain or place it in the recycling, organics, or trash cart. Instead, you can recycle your used cooking oil at the BOPA facility, located at 2901 Industrial Court (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., closed from 11:45 a.m. – 1 p.m.) Place your used cooking oil in a container no larger than 5 gallons.



Sleigh Holiday Recycling

As you give and receive gifts this holiday season, be mindful of what materials are recyclable and what items are trash.

Please ensure that recyclable materials are empty, clean, and dry before placing them in your blue recycling cart.

Never put recyclable materials in containers or trash bags. Please don't place plastic bags, clothes, or shoes in the recycling cart.

Don't forget about electronic waste. Do not place electronic waste (e-waste) and batteries in your recycling, organics, or trash cart. E-waste and batteries need to be properly disposed of. These items can be recycled at the BOPA facility.



Street Sweeping

As fall approaches, our street sweepers will be working hard to keep the city's streets and curbs free of leaves and debris. We need your help so we can effectively sweep your neighborhood.

- Know your street sweeping day, and move vehicles off the street. A single parked car means three car lengths of space cannot be swept.
- Do not pile, rake, sweep, or blow anything into the street or gutter. The sweeper is not designed to pick up piles.
- Keep tree branches and shrubs trimmed to allow sweepers to maneuver near the curb.
- Report abandoned vehicles to SCPD at **707.421.7345**. For reports of obstructions, concerns and/or comments, please email **adum@suisun.com**.



Please scan this QR code by opening your camera app to find your street sweeping day.



Don't Forget to Schedule Your FREE Bulky Waste Pickup

Each household has one (1) free bulky waste pickup per year. The free bulky waste pickup includes:

- Up to three (3) cubic yards of trash and
- Two (2) bulky waste items (sofas, mattresses, large appliances)

Bulky items could be collected by different trucks, depending on what materials you need to dispose of. For example, if your bulky waste consists of one mattress and one appliance, you will have two different collection trucks picking up these items.

There is a charge for Freon® removal and for cathode ray tubes (CRTs).

It Is Easy to Schedule!

Call Republic Services at **707.437.8900** to schedule your free bulky waste pickup. Small or loose items need to be placed in a bag or box or be bundled for collection, and they need to weigh less than 50 pounds. Place items on the curb before 6 a.m. on the designated collection date.

Holiday Service Schedule

Republic Services observes Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. If your regular service day falls on or after a holiday, service will be delayed one day. Residents who are usually serviced on Friday will be serviced on Saturday.

Thanksgiving Day: Thursday, November 28, 2024

No service changes for Suisun City residents. Recycling, organics and trash will be serviced on your regular service day. The administrative office, buy-back and BOPA will be closed on Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29.

Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25, 2024

New Year's Day: Wednesday, January 1, 2025

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Monitoring Contamination

State law Senate Bill (SB) 1383 requires local jurisdictions to monitor contamination and proper sorting of organics and recycling by performing annual route audits. Areas of Suisun City were selected to review residents' recycling, organics, and trash carts. Route reviews were conducted in May-June 2024. Republic Services Sustainability Advisors left a door tag and contacted residents who had contamination in their recycling, organics, and/or trash carts.

Recycling Cart: Please don't place plastic bags in the recycling cart. Make sure that recycle materials are empty, clean and dry. Don't bag your recyclable materials.

Organics Cart: Plastic bags or plastic film cannot be placed in the organics cart. Plastic cannot be composted. You can only use compostable bags that are certified by the Bioproducts Institute (BPI). These bags will have the BPI logo. You can also use a paper bag. Please remove any plastic from produce items.

Please Help Us Serve You Better

Please place carts at least 2 feet apart and 6 feet away from other objects, such as cars, mailboxes and light poles.



Sustainability in Action