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# Proud to Serve the Los Altos Community

# Please keep all wet food scraps or organic material out of your blue recycle bin.

Believe it or not, until recently the United States and a handful of other countries were shipping a majority of their recycling off to China for processing. As of January 1, 2019 China has changed their handling policies and contamination rates for all acceptable recycling material. We need your help to ensure the material your business is generating is clean, dry and placed in the proper Mission Trail waste bin. This will assist MTWS in capturing the best material for recycling diversion.

## **CHECK LIST -** To improve all recycling loads



Is your company capturing Mylar (coffee bags) & Styrofoam (packing materials)? Please discard these materials in the black bin.

- Does your business have a 3- bin collection system (Black, Blue & Green)?
  - Please call Mission Trail Waste Systems at 650- 473-1400 and speak to one of our recycling specialists.

### **Best recycling practices**

- If your business is generating coffee grounds and wet organic material (food scraps, employee lunches & yard clippings), please place these materials in the green organic container.
- Please advise employees all recycling material should be dry and clean before discarding in your blue container.
- All cans, glass, plastic bottles, paper and cardboard is to be placed in your blue recycle bin.
- Please continue to visit missiontrail.com for continued education and outreach materials.

If all Los Altos businesses adopt these best practices, our recycling material will be cleaner, free of contaminates and easily repurposed.

#### 56<sup>™</sup> DOWNTOWN LOS ALTOS EASTER EGG HUNT

April 13 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 Downtown Los Altos Main and State Streets



#### DOWNTOWN LOS ALTOS FARMER'S MARKET OPENS

May 2 @ 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm Downtown Los Altos Main and State Streets.



#### MOTHER'S DAY WINE STROLL

May 10 @ 6:00 pm -9:00 pm

Downtown Los Altos Main and



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# **CRIME PREVENTION IN LOS ALTOS**

Have you joined *Business Watch* yet? Signup today to partner with the Los Altos PoliceDepartment and local businesses to prevent crime.

Most thefts can be prevented by knowing what to look for. By joining the Business Watch program, you'll learn techniques for preventing crime and improving business and employee security, and stay informed of local criminal activity and trends. Also, Business Watch members may request a free on-site security assessment from Los Altos Police Department. To sign up, simply text LOSALTOSBIZ to 888-777, send an e-mail to crimeprevention@losaltosca.gov, or call (650) 947-2776. Please visit losaltosca.gov/businesswatch for more information.

Effective January 1, 2019, Assembly Bill (AB) 1884 bans full-service restaurants from providing single-use plastic straws, unless requested by the customer. The first and second violations result in a "notice of violation." Subsequent violations are punishable with a \$25.00 fine for each day of violation (not to exceed \$300.00 annually).

