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### Proud to Serve the Los Altos Community

# Holiday Food Scraps Belong in Your Organics Cart!





## Five Ways You Can Reduce Holiday Waste:

- 1. Send electronic greeting cards.
- 2. Use/provide durable and reusable shopping bags and gift wrap.
- 3. Serve food and beverages in reusable, recyclable, or compostable containers.
- 4. Replace spent alkaline batteries with rechargeables.
- 5. Purchase/sell gifts that create little or no waste (*gift cards, concert tickets, and potted plants for example*).







#### Did You Know?

Keeping container lids closed, avoiding overloading, preventing graffiti and litter protects:

- Our precious waterways
- Reduces trash and contaminants in our drainage systems
- Improves the appearance of waterways in neighborhoods and parks
- Lessens community complaints about trash and graffiti

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# Holiday collection schedule inside!

# **Recycling Reminders**

Flatten and/or cut boxes to maximize space in your blue cart or bin.

Place recyclables directly into your blue cart or bin. Do not use plastic liner bags. To recycle shredded paper, contain shreds in a paper bag or box to prevent pieces from blowing away during collection.

☑ Do not place batteries in any of your collection carts/bins. Check to see if your favorite battery retailer will take back your spent batteries for recycling. Or, take them to the Santa Clara County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. Visit www.hhw.org or call 408-299-7300 for location, hours, and additional details.



