

PROGRAM TIP: Recycle Your Plastic Bags

Though single-use plastic carryout bags are no longer widely available, it is difficult to avoid all plastic bags. Please reuse and then recycle the bread, produce and other plastic bags you cannot avoid. To recycle your bags, wait until you have accumulated at least a few and then stuff one bag full of the others, tie off the full bag, and place inside your blue Recyclables cart. Bags can also be taken back to most grocery stores for recycling. At stores the bags stay cleaner and are easier to recycle.



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Reduce waste and avoid being charged for paper bags— Bring reusable bags when you shop!

When choosing a reusable bag for purchase, keep in mind the following:

- Durable bags made with recycled content are a good choice; so are American-made bags.
- Synthetic bags are easy to wipe clean and quick to dry.
- Bags made from cotton, canvas or other natural fibers are machine washable and fold down to a small size.
- Flat-bottom bags with short handles are most like common grocery bags because they can stand up on their own and are easy to fill and carry.
- Bags that you like and that serve you well are more likely to be remembered and used.



For more information on reusable bags, visit www.bringyourbaglosaltos.org



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