

Mission Trail Waste Systems

Los Altos Quarterly Residential Newsletter

Proud to Serve the Los Altos Community



Happy New Year from your Friends at Mission Trail Waste Systems

New Year's Resolutions:

1. Recommit as a resident to discard all recycling in a blue bin.

- Make sure all recycling material is clean and dry
- Bottles and cans are rinsed and free of contaminants
- Lids on the blue bins are closed to ensure inclement weather doesn't allow any moisture into the bin and contaminate the material

2. Focus on reusable containers.

- Switch to compostable Togo containers
- Switch from paper cups lined with waxy coating to glass or reusable drink ware
- Provide wood compostable utensils or metal ware including straws

Care For Your Cart

Regular cart maintenance is important.

- Wipe down and/or rinse your cart every few weeks. Take care to use only as much water as necessary and to drain over a landscaped area. Scoop up and bag or box residue before placing in the appropriate cart.
- Report damaged carts to Mission Trail so that repair or replacement can be scheduled for your next service day. You can reach us by phone at 650-473-1400 or through the "Contact Us" page on MissionTrail.com.

Start Off the New Year

knowing your family and your home are protected by smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms that work.

- **Test existing** detectors and alarms.
- **Put in new** batteries and recycle the old ones.
- **Remove** non-working detectors and alarms responsibly. Refer to the product label, user's manual, or warranty for manufacturer's instructions.
- **First Alert** offers a main-in program for First Alert and BRK smoke detectors. Call 1-800-323-9005 for information.

Or, bring your non-working detectors and alarms to Santa Clara County's free drop-off facility. Go to www.hhw.org or call 408-299-7300 for more information.



CHRISTMAS TREE REMOVAL

Mission Trail Waste Systems will collect trees on your regular service day from December 26th through January 15th.



AFTER THE HOLIDAYS, BE SURE YOUR TREE IS COMPOSTED

Please Follow These Easy Tree Collection Guidelines:

1. Remove the tree stand and all decorations.
2. Cut tall trees into pieces no longer than five feet.
3. Place next to your carts prior to 7am on your service day.



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Collection Day Check List

- ✓ Place carts out for collection by 6:00 a.m.
- ✓ Make sure cart wheels are facing your home.
- ✓ Make sure car lids are fully closed.
- ✓ Leave three feet between carts.
- ✓ Avoid placing carts near other obstacles; i.e. mailboxes, cars, cars, trees with over hanging branches.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Store carts out of sight and off the street as soon as possible after service. The City of Los Altos Municipal Code requires containers to be removed from the curb within 24 hours of collection. This is intended to enhance neighborhood appearance.

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