Mission Trail Waste Systems

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ZERO WASTE

What is "zero waste"? To some, it means reducing the amount of waste sent to landfills. Others may see zero waste as an opportunity to repurpose & reuse generated materials from their homes or workplaces. And others may see zero waste as a way to push back & ask manufacturers to redesign products to be less wasteful, less toxic, and easier to recycle. Zero waste is a choice, process, and philosophy, requiring effort to make smart choices about products that can be reused & recycled without causing harmful downstream effects.

A Zero Waste goal, according to the California Integrated Waste Management Board, requires "maximizing our existing recycling and reuse efforts, while working to ensure that products are designed for the environment and have the potential to be repaired, reused, or recycled". If we all make a concerted effort to view our landfills as the last resort, zero waste becomes much more achievable.

Ideas to Help Your Business Continue to Strive for Zero Waste

- "Right-size" your bins to ensure that you can recycle and compost as much as possible.
- Consider locking your bins to avoid contamination and keep space available for sorted materials.
- Maintain separate recycling and compost containers inside your business, to make it easier for staff and customers to sort materials.



UPCOMING EVENTS

TRIM-A-TREE



Downtown Los Altos December 2nd-December 30th

A Los Altos Tradition

A collaboration of the Los Altos Village Association, Los Altos Chamber of Commerce and the City of Los Altos, the Trim-a-Tree @LosAltos program will begin its fifth year of bringing uniquely decorated trees — adopted by Los Altos businesses and residents — to business districts throughout town. Decorated trees will be available for viewing December 2nd through 31st.



Happy Holidays from Mission Trail!

Would you like to lower costs by reducing waste, increasing recycling, or participating in a composting program?

We can help! Mission Trail representatives are available to visit your business and conduct a free recycling opportunity assessment. Contact us today to schedule yours!



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MISSION TRAIL OBSERVES THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:

Christmas Day • New Year's Day

Customers may experience a delay in service when a holiday falls on a weekday. During a holiday week, service preceding the holiday is unaffected. Customers whose regular service day falls on the holiday or after, however, will receive service a day late. For example, during Thanksgiving week, only customers with Thursday and Friday service are affected. Thursday customers will have their containers serviced on Friday. Friday customers will have their containers serviced on Saturday.