

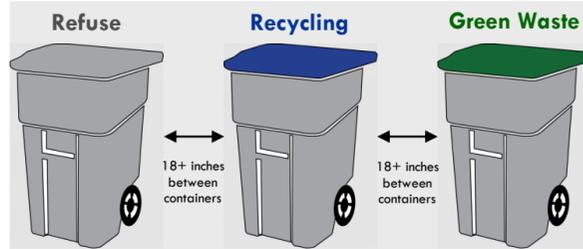
Refuse & Recycling Collection Day Tips

The City's Solid Waste Division utilizes a fully-automated collection system to service customers' refuse, recycling and green waste containers. Full-automation is the solid waste industry standard and keeps labor costs at a minimum.

The automated arm that grabs and empties each container eliminates the need for a second collection worker on each vehicle. However, for this system to work effectively, waste containers must be placed out in a manner that allows the collection vehicle to reach and empty each container, without having the driver to leave his vehicle.

To ensure that your container is serviced on its scheduled collection day, and to minimize collection costs, please adhere to the following collection guidelines:

- **Place your container out on time.** Containers should be placed out no later than 7:00 a.m. in residential areas, and by 6:00 a.m. in commercial areas. Cans may be placed out the night before after 6:00 p.m. Containers placed out late are subject to an extra service charge for the driver to return.
- **Place container in proper location.** Bins must be placed where the arms of the collection vehicle can reach, face toward the street or alley, and be spaced a minimum of 18-inches apart from one another and 3-feet from fences, utility poles, vehicles and other objects.
- **Do not place prohibited materials in containers.** Items such as hazardous waste, concrete, bricks, soil, liquids, hot ashes/coins, and oversized items are prohibited from your waste containers. For a list of prohibited items from your recycling or green waste container, please visit the Division's web page at: www.cityoflomdoc.com/sw
- **Do not overfill your container.** Collection drivers are instructed not to service containers that are overflowing, or that have open lids in order to prevent trash from being spilled on the ground. In addition, bags placed outside of the trash container (e.g., on the ground) will not be picked up.
- **Only place your collection container out when it needs to be serviced.** If your container is nearly empty, and you think it can go another week, consider not placing it out. This practice saves time, fuel and wear and tear on each collection vehicle.



Containers should also be placed at least 3-feet away from fences, utility poles, vehicles, and other objects.

If a driver is unable to service your container, a yellow tag may be affixed to the container to let you know the reason. If your container was not serviced by 2:30 p.m. on your scheduled collection day, please call the Solid Waste Office at (805) 875-8024 as soon as possible.

Put Used Oil & Filters In Their Place

Did you know that out of the 2.1 million California households that change their own motor oil, over 60% utilize improper disposal methods? This equates to almost 1.4 million gallons of oil annually being thrown in the trash, dumped on the ground or in the gutter or storm drain.

Fortunately, it's never been easier to recycle used oil and filters. In fact there are a total of eight used oil and filter collection centers in Lompoc. And, if you take your oil to a State Certified Center, you're entitled to receive \$.40/gallon. Please refer to the bottom of the recycling matrix on pages 3 and 4 for listings of Center locations.

Pickup a Free Used Oil Drain Pan, Filter Container and Funnel at the City

Stop by the Solid Waste Division at 1300 W. Laurel Ave. to pick-up a 15-quart used oil drain pan, a dual capacity used oil filter container, and a funnel **free of charge**. These containers provide residents a convenient and safe way to transport oil and filters to a Used Oil and Filter Collection Cen-



Programs of the Solid Waste Division:

Refuse, Recycling, Green Waste, and Cardboard Collection • Bulky Item Pickups • Electronics Recycling • Mattress Recycling • Street Sweeping • Lompoc Landfill • City Recycling Center • Waste Tire Recycling • Backyard Composting Kits • Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility • Used Oil & Filter Drop-Off Sites



The Evolution of the Waste Can



Christmas Tree Recycling Week January 9th - 13th, 2017

Wondering what to do with your Christmas tree once the holiday season has come to an end? Christmas Tree Recycling Week is your answer!

Residential customers should place trees out for collection **by 7:00 a.m. on their scheduled trash collection day** during the week of January 9th. Trees should be placed next to where your refuse containers are serviced and they will be picked up this week at no charge.



Prior to recycling, all decorations and plastic, or metal, tree stands must be removed. The City of Lompoc has contracted with West Coast Arborists to collect and grind the trees into mulch. The mulch will then be used as landscape material throughout the City.

If you don't place your tree out on time and miss the pickup, you can still drop-off your tree (remove stand and decorations first) at the Lompoc Landfill free of charge.

Important Resources

Solid Waste Office (805) 875-8024
Lompoc Landfill (805) 736-9042
Code Enforcement (805) 875-8033

Websites:

City of Lompoc www.cityoflomdoc.com/sw
S.B. County Recycling www.lessismore.org
CalRecycle www.calrecycle.ca.gov

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Upcoming Events/News

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Holiday Collection and Landfill Schedule

Friday, December 23, City Administrative Holiday
Regular collection
Solid Waste administrative office will be closed
Landfill holiday hours (10:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.)

Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day
Landfill closed

Monday, December 26, City Administrative Holiday
Regular collection
Solid Waste administrative office will be closed
Landfill holiday hours (10:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.)

Sunday, January 1, New Years Day
Landfill closed

Monday, January 2, City Administrative Holiday
Regular collection
Solid Waste administrative office will be closed
Landfill holiday hours (10:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.)

Monday, January 16, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
No collection
Collection delayed by one day all week
Landfill closed

Monday, February 20, Presidents Day
No collection
Collection delayed by one day all week
Landfill closed

Sunday, April 16, Easter
Landfill closed



Trash Talk

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New Mattress Recycling Program!

Each year in California, over four million mattresses reach the end of their lives. Unfortunately, due to their bulky nature and the lack of affordable and convenient recycling options, most are buried in landfills or dumped illegally.

However, thanks to the recent passage of California's Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act, a new statewide collection and recycling program has been launched in order to increase recycling rates and to reduce illegal dumping. The new program, known as Bye Bye Mattress, was created by the Mattress Recycling Council, and is paid for by an \$11 fee on each mattress and box spring sold in California. The City is participating in the new program, and residents can now bring their used mattresses and box springs to be recycled at the Lompoc Landfill - **free of charge**.

ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Most mattresses and box springs from California residents are eligible for the program. Items that are not eligible for the free recycling program include: extremely damaged, soiled or wet mattresses; items infested with bed bugs; mattress pads or toppers; sleeping bags; car beds; water beds; air mattresses; sofa beds; and cribs and play pen pads.

RECYCLING OPTIONS

Residents can drop-off qualifying mattresses and box springs to the Lompoc Sanitary Landfill **at no charge**. The Landfill is located at 700 Avalon Street, and is open Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. In addition, mattress retailers must provide a free pickup when a consumer purchases a new mattress. The City also provides bulky item pickups as detailed on page 2.

Businesses, such as furniture stores and hotels, can bring their mattresses and box springs to the Lompoc Landfill collection site for a fee. However, businesses may recycle their mattresses **at no charge** by delivering them directly to a Mattress Recycling Council contracted facility. To find the closest recycling facility, visit: <http://byebyemattress.com/California>

MATTRESS RECYCLING FACTS

As much as 90% (by weight) of mattresses are recyclable. Once sent to a recycling facility, mattresses and box springs are dismantled so that their individual steel, foam, wood, and cotton components can be recycled. Mattress recycling has many benefits:

- ☑ Saves valuable airspace in landfills
- ☑ Saves natural resources
- ☑ Creates jobs
- ☑ Reduces greenhouse gas emissions



How To Dispose Of Bulky Items

Bulky items such as couches, mattresses, and large appliances can be difficult to dispose of if you don't have the means to haul them to the Lompoc Landfill. Fortunately, the City offers the following programs to assist its refuse customers.

Bulky Item Pickups

The City offers residents three collections (up to two items each) every year, at no additional charge. (A mattress and box springs, or a sofa and loveseat set, count as one item.) To schedule a Bulky Item Pickup, call (805) 875-8024 at least one week before you'd like to have the items removed.



Please note that the Citywide Cleanup program that was held in June of each year was eliminated in favor of an expanded Bulky Item Pickup program as described above. The expanded program continues to offer residents the

opportunity to have up to six items picked up each year, but provides them with much greater scheduling flexibility.

Special Hauls

This program is available to residents and businesses to have multiple bulky items hauled away. Charges are \$30 for every 15-minute period (not prorated), and are based on loading time for a two-person crew. A Special Haul can be scheduled by calling (805) 875-8024 the week before you'd like the items removed.

Self-Haul to the Lompoc Landfill

Hauling your materials to the Lompoc Landfill is always an option. Fees may apply, and are based on the type of material and the weight of the load, but are generally less than the fees charged for a Special Haul. The Landfill is open daily (Mon - Fri from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sat and Sun from 10:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.) and is located at the south terminus of Avalon St.

For more information, or to schedule a Bulky Item Pickup or Special Haul, please call the Solid Waste Division office at (805) 875-8024.

Recycling At Businesses And Apartments

Did you know that California's Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law (AB 341) and Mandatory Organics Recycling Law (AB 1826) will require many businesses and apartment complexes to implement recycling programs?

Businesses that generate four or more cubic yards of garbage per week are required to implement a recycling program (for bottles, cans, paper, etc.). In addition, if the business generates four or more cubic yards of organics (landscaping and food wastes) per week, it will be required to recycle those wastes.

At this time, the City does not offer a food waste program. Until a collection program is offered, businesses subject to the organics law, should ensure that their landscaping waste is being recycled.

Apartment Complexes containing five or more units are required to implement a recycling program (for bottles, cans, paper, etc.), and a program that specifically recycles landscaping wastes.

Owners/managers of businesses and apartment complexes should call (805) 875-8027 for questions

about the State's mandatory recycling laws and for assistance in setting up recycling services.

The City offers three types of recycling services: Commingled Recyclables, Green Waste, and Cardboard. All are offered at no additional charge. Please see below for a listing of materials accepted under each program.

Commingled Recycling: cardboard, bottles and jars, junk mail, magazines, newspapers, office paper, paperboard (e.g., cereal boxes), paper bags, phone books, plastic bottles & containers (coded #1 through #7, but no Styrofoam), and tin and aluminum cans.

Green Waste Recycling: grass, leaves, lumber scraps, small branches, cuttings from bushes, small plants, and weeds. No plastic bags, animal wastes, dirt, rocks, food wastes, palm fronds, pampas grass, cactus, Yucca, and iceplant.

Cardboard Recycling: cardboard boxes only (boxes must be broken down). Bins must not be contaminated with any other materials (e.g., Styrofoam). Cardboard bins can be provided to apartments with an onsite property manager, and are useful for new tenants that are moving-in.



THE "A" TO "Z" OF LOMPOC RECYCLING



MATERIAL TYPE	EXAMPLES OF MATERIALS	RECYCLING/DISPOSAL OPTIONS	RECYCLING/DISPOSAL TIPS	SOURCE REDUCTION/REUSE
Appliances	Washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, ovens/ranges, dishwashers, microwaves, etc.	Lompoc Landfill or "Bulky Item Pickup"	Do not place in trash or recycling container.	Donate working units to charity or thrift store.
Batteries	Triple-A, Double-A, C-cell, D-cell, Nickel-Cadmium, Lead Acid, Silver Oxide, Lithium, auto-batteries, etc.	Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility or Lompoc Landfill	See list of facilities below for other household battery collection sites.	Use rechargeable batteries.
Cardboard	Corrugated Cardboard	Curbside Commingled Recycling Container, City Recycling Center, or Lompoc Landfill	Breakdown/flatten cardboard boxes.	Use for storage.
Construction & Demolition Materials	Top soil, asphalt, concrete, metal, wood	Lompoc Landfill	Sort materials by type to facilitate recycling.	Wood can be chipped/ground for mulch.
Electronic Waste "E-waste"	Computers, monitors, TVs, stereos, DVD players, video games, printers, fax machines, scanners, etc. (essentially anything with a cord or a battery)	Lompoc Landfill or the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility	Remove and recycle battery separately. (See below for battery collection sites.)	Donate working units to charity or thrift store.
Furniture	Couches, mattresses, tables, chairs, dressers, entertainment centers, etc.	Lompoc Landfill or "Bulky Item Pickup"	Call 875-8024 for "Bulky Item Pickup" information.	Donate to charity or thrift store.
Glass Containers	Glass jars, containers and bottles	Curbside Commingled Recycling Container, City Recycling Center (Drive-In and H Street Recycling for CRV containers only)	Remove food, liquids and caps before recycling.	Use for storage of other materials.
Green Waste	Grass clippings, leaves, weeds and small branches	Curbside Green Waste Container or Lompoc Landfill	<u>No</u> plastic bags, garbage, animal waste, dirt, rocks, food wastes, garden hoses, flower pots, palm fronds, pampas grass, cactus, yucca and ice plants	Use "recycling mower" (leave clippings on lawn). Do not over-water or over-fertilize your lawn.
Hazardous Waste	Paint, stains/finishes, paint thinner, solvents, pesticides, fertilizers, cleaners, automotive fluids, fuels, electronic waste, batteries, fluorescent tubes/bulbs, aerosol cans, thermostats and thermometers containing mercury, asbestos, etc.	Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility Antifreeze, auto batteries, used oil & filters, and electronic waste are also accepted at the Lompoc Landfill	Leave wastes in original container and never mix products together. Ensure containers have secure fitting lids and transport upright in a cardboard box.	Purchase small quantities; share leftovers with others; use water based paints; eliminate food sources or plant stressors before using pesticides.
Medical Waste (Drugs and Sharps)	Prescription and over-the-counter medications Sharps	Medications: Lompoc Police Department at 107 Civic Center Plaza, and the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility (call 805-875-8024 to make an appointment). Sharps: S.B. County Health Clinic at 301 North R St.	Controlled substances such as Vicodin, Codeine, etc., need to be brought to the drug deposit boxes at Lompoc Police Department or at the County Sheriff's Substation at 3500 Harris Grade Rd.	Purchase quantities that will be used up before the medication expires.
Metal Containers	Tin, steel and aluminum cans, aluminum foil and trays, pots, pans and utensils	Curbside Commingled Recycling Container, City Recycling Center (Drive-In and H Street Recycling for CRV containers only)	Remove food, liquids and caps before recycling.	Use for storage of other materials.
Metal (Scrap)	Rain gutters, siding, plumbing, bicycles, lawn mowers, metal fixtures, hardware, building materials, etc.	Lompoc Landfill	Source separate from other materials. Drain fluids from engines before recycling.	Donate reusable building materials and fixtures.
Oil (Used Oil & Filters)	Used motor oil and filters	Used Oil & Filter Collection Centers (see below for locations)	Pick up a 14-quart drain pan and oil filter container (at no charge) at the Solid Waste Office (1300 W. Laurel Ave.)	Purchase re-refined oil when available.
Paper	Office paper, junk mail, newspaper, magazines, catalogs, greeting cards, phone books, paperboard (e.g., cereal boxes), etc.	Curbside Commingled Recycling Container, City Recycling Center	Place shredded paper in plastic bag; remove air and tie shut.	Print or copy on both sides; use as scratch paper.
Plastic	Plastic bottles and containers (coded #1 through #7) such as soda and water bottles, milk jugs, detergent containers, and plastic bags (bundle together and tie shut)	Curbside Commingled Recycling Container, City Recycling Center (Drive-In and H Street Recycling for CRV containers only)	Remove food, liquids and caps before recycling. (Styrofoam not accepted)	Purchase in bulk when appropriate, and drink from a reusable water bottle.
Tires	Passenger, truck and tractor tires	Lompoc Landfill	Tires with wheels are OK.	Extend the life of your tires by keeping them at the proper inflation pressure.
Wood	Large tree branches, lumber, wooden furniture, etc.	Lompoc Landfill	Separate treated wood waste from non-treated wood waste.	Grind wood for mulch. Donate furniture and use branches as firewood.

Lompoc Recycling & Disposal Facilities

Lompoc Sanitary Landfill
South Terminus of Avalon Rd.
Mon - Fri: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sat and Sun: 10:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
For more information, call (805) 875-8024.

City Recycling Center
1585 North V Street
Open daily
For more information, call (805) 875-8024.

Lompoc Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
1585 North V Street
Open by appointment only.
Call 875-8024.

Used Oil Collection Centers
Locations below accept uncontaminated used oil and oil filters
City of Lompoc Airport, 1801 North H St.
City Corporate Yard, 1300 W. Laurel Ave.
City Recycling Center, 1585 North V St.
Lompoc Landfill, S. Terminus of Avalon St.
Napa Auto Parts, 1100 North H St.
Perry's Auto Parts, 111 South F St.
*Auto Zone, 538 N. H St.
*O'Reilly's Auto, 511 W. Central Ave.
* State Certified Centers offer 40 cents/gallon

Battery Collection Sites
Residents can drop-off their household batteries at the following locations:
City Hall Lobby, 100 Civic Center Plaza
Solid Waste Office, 1300 W. Laurel Ave.
Lompoc Library, 501 E. North Ave.
Lompoc Fire, 115 S. G St. & 1100 N. D St.
Village Library, 3755 Constellation Rd.