



City of Millbrae

Recycling & Waste
Prevention Program

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AB 341 - California's Mandatory Recycling Law for Commercial Businesses, Multi-Family Complexes and Public Entities

New Recycling Regulations

Businesses and public entities (government offices and schools) that generate four (4) cubic yards or more of garbage per week and multi-family complexes of five (5) or more units are required to recycle as of July 1, 2012. The requirement was contained in legislation signed into law in 2011, AB 341 (Chesbro). The purpose of this law, according to the California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by diverting commercial solid waste to recycling efforts and expand opportunities for additional recycling services and recycling manufacturing facilities in California. The commercial sector generates nearly three fourths of the solid waste in California and much of this waste is readily recyclable. The goal is to achieve a statewide 75% diversion rate, which means reducing the amount of waste placed in landfills through recycling or by otherwise reducing waste.

Millbrae Recycles

The good news is that most businesses and multi-family complexes are recycling in Millbrae. City staff works in coordination with the South San Francisco Scavenger Company to assist businesses, multi-family dwellings and public entities in setting up recycling collection programs.

Recycling is Easy

It is easy to recycle in Millbrae! Starting a recycling program takes very little time and there are many materials that can be recycled. For businesses and multi-family complexes that are already recycling, this is a great opportunity to start recycling other types of materials. The SSF Scavenger Company recycles a variety of materials, including all types of paper, cardboard, plastic, metal and glass containers (tubs, cans, bottles and jars) and scrap metal. They also recycle other special materials.

The City can provide free indoor recycling containers and the Scavenger Company provides the free outdoor recycling containers and collection. There is no extra charge for recycling. **Call the City's Recycling & Waste Prevention Program at 650-259-2444 or e-mail sreider@ci.millbrae.ca.us if you would like assistance with setting up or expanding your recycling program. The SSF Scavenger Company can be reached at 650-589-4020.**

Recycling Benefits Everyone

The benefits of recycling include saving money by reducing the size of garbage containers or the frequency of garbage collection, creating jobs in California by providing materials for recycling manufacturing facilities, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, keeping valuable materials out of landfills, and creating a healthy environment for the community and future generations by recovering natural resources.

For more information on AB 341 visit [CalRecycle-AB 341](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/Recycling/default.htm).
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