

New garbage, recycling rates

Even though the City Council approved new rates effective July 1, you could potentially pay less for overall disposal costs by increasing participation in recycling and food scraps programs. That's because these services are offered at a significant discount.

Here is a sampling of some of the new rates, effective July 1, 2011.

Size	Frequency	Garbage	Recycling	Organics
1-yd	1/week	\$115.36	\$28.84	\$28.88
	2/week	\$230.75	\$57.70	\$57.79
2-yd	1/week	\$216.21	\$54.05	\$54.14
	2/week	\$392.21	\$98.07	\$98.22
3-yd	1/week	\$302.31	\$75.58	\$75.71
	2/week	\$563.10	\$140.78	\$141.00

For complete rate schedule, call Customer Service at (510) 657-3500 or visit www.unioncity.org/recycle/garbage_rates.htm

Now see how a company can reduce costs simply by sorting the exact same waste into the appropriate containers:

Company with garbage-only service (monthly rate)	Same company with garbage, recycling and organics service (monthly rate)	
3 cubic-yard garbage bin serviced once a week	1 cubic-yard garbage bin serviced once a week	\$115.36
	1 cubic-yard recycling bin serviced once a week	\$28.84
	1 cubic-yard organics bin serviced once a week	\$28.88
Monthly invoice	Monthly invoice	\$173.08
SAVINGS	\$129.23/month	\$1,550.76/year

Consider getting a jump on mandatory recycling (see related article on reverse) by starting now. Contact Jennifer Cutter at (510) 252-4651 to learn more or sign up.

Waste doesn't take a holiday

Allied and Tri-CED drivers will be hard at work during the holidays. Since Christmas and New Year's Day fall on a Sunday this year, customers will enjoy uninterrupted service in December and January.

The only holiday that will affect your service schedule is Thanksgiving Day 2011. If your collection day normally falls on a Thursday, we will

service your containers on Friday, Nov. 25. Customers with Friday or Saturday collection will be serviced on Saturday, Nov. 26.

Our offices will be closed on Nov. 24 and 25, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. Have a safe and happy holiday season from everyone at Allied Waste Services and Tri-CED Community Recycling.

Holiday collection schedule:

■ collection will be one day later than usual on highlighted dates

NOVEMBER 2011

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JANUARY 2012

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FEBRUARY 2012

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New regs affect recycling, carryout bags

With 15 million tons of commercial recyclables

buried in landfills each year, California businesses and apartment owners will be experiencing more regulation by state, county and local lawmakers. Just recently, Gov. Jerry Brown signed a landmark mandatory recycling law, the county is proposing a ban on single-use carryout bags, and Union City implemented a multifamily recycling fee.

Assembly Bill 341

Assembly Bill 341 won passage in Sacramento last month. It requires the state to divert 75 percent of waste from landfills by 2020. To reach that goal, all businesses that generate more than 4 cubic yards of trash, plus multifamily dwellings of five units or more, must arrange for recycling by July 1, 2012.

Exemptions may be granted for financial hardship or companies that lack space for recycling containers.



Multifamily recycling fee

Union City has made significant progress reducing waste from single-family households, but apartments have been more challenging. This month, owners of multifamily complexes in the city began paying a mandatory recycling fee of \$6 per unit per month

(\$3 for senior residential facilities). City recycling team members will visit apartment complexes to work with owners and tenants to reduce waste and maximize recycling opportunities.

Ban on free carryout bags

According to one estimate, two million single-use plastic bags are given away daily in Alameda County. That's nearly 100,000 plastic bags distributed every day of the year in Union City alone. Most of those bags do not get recycled

– ending up as litter or landfill waste. The intent of a proposed countywide ordinance is to reduce the use of plastic and paper carryout bags and promote a shift toward reusable bags. Starting January 1, 2013, large retailers – primarily supermarkets and grocery stores – would be prohibited from distributing plastic carryout bags. They can provide recycled paper sacks or reusable bags, as long as they charge at least 10 cents for each bag. The ordinance does not apply to restaurants or other eating establishments that provide food to go.

Go to www.StopWaste.Org for more information on the single-use bag ban ordinance.

Need a roll-off container?

Allied Waste provides 6, 14, 20, 30 and 40 cubic yard recycling and debris boxes. Additional sizes and services are also available.

Please contact Customer Service at (510) 657-3500 to get rates for other sizes, delivery, compacted containers or special services/fees.