YOUR DAILY TRASH

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Recycle Food Scraps in Your Green Cart!

Residents of the Santa Maria and Lompoc Valleys should add food scraps, food-soiled paper, and yard waste to their green carts. Everything in the green cart is composted at a commercial composting facility and then used in local agriculture. Free kitchen pails are available for pick-up from the Santa Barbara County Public Works Office at 620 West Foster Road during regular business hours (Monday-Friday; 8am-12pm & 1pm-5pm).

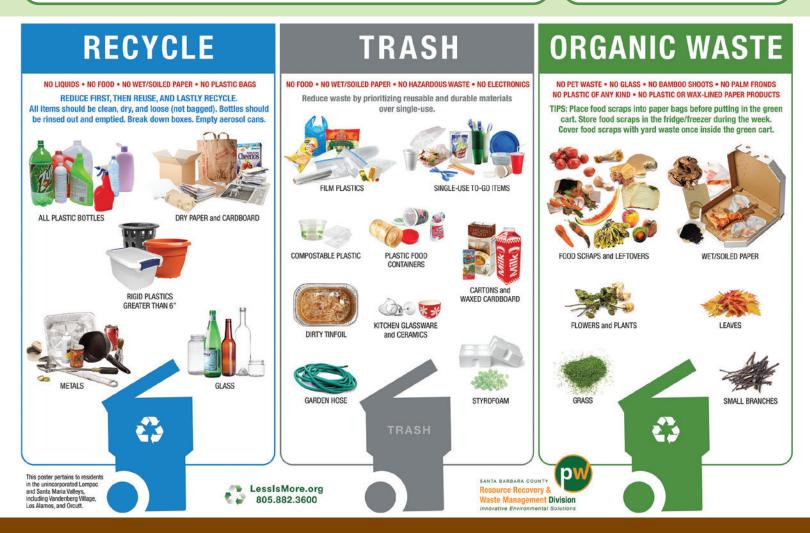
If you already compost where you live, please don't stop! You can use your green cart for the organic waste you can't compost at home, such as meat or dairy which can be safely composted in a commercial facility instead. The County sells Earth Machine backyard composting bins at a discounted price at the same Public Works Office described above.



Tips and Tricks

to Prevent the "Ick"

- Wrap wet food scraps in newspaper or use paper bags to deposit food scraps into your green cart.
- Store food scraps in your fridge/ freezer during the week and transfer to your green cart closer to collection day.
- Cover food scraps with yard waste inside your green cart.
- Clean your kitchen pail and green cart regularly. Kitchen pails are dishwasher safe!





SAVE THE DATE!

MarBorg will be hosting a household paper shredding event on Saturday, April 12th from 7:30 am to 1 pm at the Santa Maria Recycling Center (1850 W Betteravia). Rain or shine. Limit 10 boxes/bags per car. Please remove all items other than paper (and paper clips) from your boxes/bags. All other items will damage the shredder.



In addition to your weekly waste service, MarBorg provides residential customers up to **4 FREE** bulky waste clean-ups (5 items maximum per clean-up) each year. These clean-ups are for large items like mattresses, furniture, or appliances. Bulky item clean-ups are also available for apartments and multi-family residents but must be scheduled by the property manager or owner. Multi-family customers are entitled to a number of **FREE** annual clean-ups (5 items maximum per clean-up) equivalent to the dwelling units in the building or complex. All bulky item clean-ups must be scheduled in advance, so call MarBorg at (805)-963-1852 to schedule yours today!

Spring Cleaning? Free Haz Waste Recycling



Lompoc Valley Residents: Bring your hazardous waste to the City of Lompoc's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. 1585 North V Street, Lompoc

Open Monday – Friday, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, by appointment only.

Call (805) 875-8017 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

*This facility does not accept needles or electronic waste. Please visit www.LessIsMore.org for more information.

Santa Maria Valley Residents: Bring your hazardous waste to the City of Santa Maria's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility.

2065 E. Main Street, Santa Maria Open Wednesdays from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, and Saturdays from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Call (805) 925-0951 x 7270 for more information.

Examples of residential household waste accepted:

- paints
- stains
- paint thinner
- solvents
- pesticides
- automotive fluid and filters
- fertilizers
- cleaners
- aerosols
- glues
- corrosives
- · fluorescent lighting
- kitchen grease
- smoke alarms
- and much more!

No needles, controlled substances, electronics, or materials that are radioactive, biological, or explosive in nature.*

- Up to 15 gallons (net liquid) or 125 pounds per trip.
- Businesses must call ahead. Fees may apply.
- · Call ahead to confirm opening hours.
- · Closed on major holidays.

QUESTIONS? Learn more at: www.LessIsMore.org/hazwaste or call 805-882-3602



Safely Dispose of Unused and Unwanted Medications from Home

Improper disposal of medications can pose a danger to people, animals, and the planet. Please don't flush them or put them into the trash. Instead, use one of the free programs available locally.



In addition to several **collection kiosks** throughout the county at drug stores, health clinics, and law enforcement offices, residents can safely dispose of their medications right from home.

Under this program, you can request a **FREE** mail-back disposal kit delivered directly to your front door or post office box. Simply submit a request online at **www.MedTakeBackCalifornia.org.**

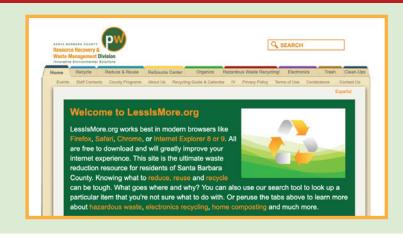
Once you receive your kit, fill it with your unwanted medications and follow the mail-back instructions using the included postage-paid label. You can mail your package from any United States Post Office. The collected medications will be safely disposed of at an approved facility.



Learn more about the safe disposal of sharps and medications at www.LessIsMore.org/meds.

Check Out LessIsMore.org!

LessIsMore.org is Santa Barbara County's ULTIMATE resource on waste reduction, recycling, and solid waste. Visit us online to learn more about how to reduce, reuse, and recycle; what goes where and why; and solid waste management programs that benefit both people and the environment. Here, you can search for disposal information by material type or simply click around and learn something new.



Sign Up for the RRWM Monthly Newsletter, the ReView!



The ReView is a monthly newsletter created by the Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division of Santa Barbara County Public Works. The Less Is More ReView is aimed at keeping the community up to date on the latest information and tips related to waste reduction, recycling, and limiting the impact our waste has on the environment. Sign up on the homepage of LessIsMore.org.





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Battery RECOVERY in Santa Barbara County

Batteries can spark and cause a fire when thrown away. Never place them in the trash or recycling bin!

EASY Battery Disposal Steps

Curbside Battery Collection

Recycle your old batteries at home! **TAPE** the ends of the rechargeable batteries, **BAG** in a clear plastic bag, and **PLACE ON TOP** of your recycling bin on collection days.

OR Drop them Off!

MarBorg ABOP Centers

- 97 Commerce Ave, Buellton, (805) 963-1852
- 1850 W Betteravia Rd, Santa Maria, (805) 963-1852

Many other locations accept batteries for recycling. Visit www.LesslsMore.org/batteries for a complete list.

Multi-family residences can request free battery buckets from MarBorg at 805-963-1852.

