



A Community Newsletter from Alameda County Industries  
Your **Recyclables**, **Organics** & **Garbage** Service Provider

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## Safety Checklists for the New Year

### Maintain Smoke Detectors and Carbon Monoxide Alarms



- Test existing detectors and alarms.
- Install new batteries and properly recycle the old ones.
- Remove non-working detectors and alarms and install new ones.
- Dispose of non-working detectors and alarms responsibly. Refer to the product label, user's manual, or warranty for manufacturer's instructions.
  - First Alert offers a mail-in program for First Alert and BRK smoke detectors. Call **1-800-323-9005** for information.
  - Bring your non-working detectors and alarms to Alameda County's free drop-off facility. Go to **www.household-hazwaste.org** or call **1-800-606-6606** for information.

### Reduce Household Toxics



- Choose safe products for tasks like cleaning, maintenance, gardening, and pest control.
- Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste properly. Visit **www.household-hazwaste.org** or call **1-800-606-6606** for information.

Visit: **www.stopwaste.org/preventing-waste/residents/reduce-household-toxics** for additional resources, alternatives to hazardous products, proper disposal tips and more.

### SERVICE REMINDERS:

### ACI Provides Free Curbside Collection of Used Oil and Filters

If you change your own oil please contain and dispose of used oil and filters properly. To arrange for free delivery of collection jugs and bags, contact us through our website or call **(510) 483-1400**.



### No Sharps

Please remember that sharps are NOT allowed in any ACI collection container. Ask your doctor or pharmacist about available disposal options. Or, contact Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste at **1 (800) 606-6606** for information on safe, free disposal.



### Holiday Service Schedule



Collection days will NOT change during the weeks of Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Presidents' Day. Please be sure to put your carts out for collection by 6am on your regular service day.

## You Can Minimize Water Pollution

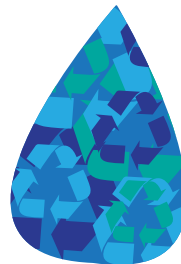
### FOLLOW THESE TIPS:

- Check your driveway or regular parking area for fluid stains that may indicate leaks. If your car is leaking, place a drip pan under your car and arrange to get it repaired as soon as possible.
- If you change your own oil, be sure to contain and recycle used oil and filters properly (see service reminder on other side).
- If you see litter, pick it up and place it in the appropriate collection cart.
- Prevent leaves from getting into storm drains. Rake leaves into a pile and place them in your green **organics** cart.
- Avoid applying fertilizers or pesticides, especially when rain is forecast.

For more information, visit [www.CleanWaterProgram.org](http://www.CleanWaterProgram.org), or contact City of Alameda Clean Water Program staff at **(510) 747-7930**.

## Recycling Conserves Water

Did you know you conserve water just by recycling? Extracting virgin raw materials to manufacture a product uses much more water than manufacturing a similar item from recycled material. You can also conserve by using rainwater and gray water to water plants. Please visit [StopWaste.org/drought](http://StopWaste.org/drought) for more conservation tips.




## Care for Your Carts

- Wipe down and/or rinse your cart every few weeks. Take care to use only as much water as necessary and to drain over a landscaped area. Scoop up and bag or box residue before placing in the appropriate cart.
- Report damaged carts to ACI so that repair or replacement can be scheduled for your next service day. You can reach us by phone at **(510) 483-1400** or through the "Contact Us" page on our website.



**Remember to:  
Reduce,  
Reuse,  
Recycle,  
Rot & Donate!**

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## Alameda County Industries

We are proud to be your service provider for **Recyclables, Organics & Garbage.**



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