

Citywide Cleanup

February 1st - 5th, 2010

Have an old couch, mattress or a refrigerator to get rid of and no way to haul them to the Landfill? Not to worry, Citywide Cleanup is back!

This valuable program offers residents a convenient means to recycle or dispose of large items **free of charge**. Large, bulky items such as refrigerators, washers, dryers, couches, tables and chairs can be placed out on the curb, and the City will pick the items up during the week of Citywide Cleanup.

In order to streamline collection efforts and to avoid large and unsightly trash piles, follow the rules listed below and the City will take care of the rest!



Rules for Citywide Cleanup!

➔ **Appointments** – Call for an appointment between Monday, January 25, and Wednesday, January 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Thursday, January 28, from 9 a.m. to Noon. Sorry, no appointments will be taken after that time. Don't delay because the City can only accommodate **the first 350 appointments!** Leaving a voice mail message will not be considered an appointment. Please call 875-8021 or 875-8024 to make your appointment.

➔ **Prohibited Materials** – Dirt, sod, vehicle shells or hazardous materials will not be picked up. Small items should be placed in your trash can as part of your normal trash service.

➔ **Place Your Items** – Place a **maximum of 5 items** on your **front curb** by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, February 1st. The items will be picked up that week during Citywide Cleanup. Sorry, only items that you have listed while making your appointment will be collected.

➔ **Safety First!** – Nails from wood items must be removed or bent inward to prevent injuries to City collectors. Other sharp metal or glass objects should not be placed out on your curb.

Programs of the Solid Waste Division:

Commingled & Green Waste Recycling • Electronics Recycling • Refuse Collection • Lompoc Landfill
City Recycling Center • Waste Tire Recycling • Backyard Composting • Household Hazardous Waste Collection
Used Oil & Filter Drop-Off Sites • Street Sweeping • Citywide Cleanup • Bulky Item Pickups & Special Hauls

Tire Recycling Day

February 3rd, 2010

Did you know Californians discard an estimated 40 million waste tires each year? In an effort to promote waste tire recycling, and reduce the amount of illegal dumping, the City is conducting a Waste Tire Roundup Day.



Waste tires picked up from Lompoc residents on Tire Roundup Day.

On Waste Tire Roundup Day, City of Lompoc residents can have their old tires picked up from their curb or alley **free of charge**. Just call 875-8024 to make an appointment and place your tires out for collection by 7:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 3rd.

Residents of the unincorporated communities of Mission Hills, Mesa Oaks and Vandenberg Village may also drop-off their tires on this day, free of charge, to *Drive-In Recycling* (2126-1/2 No. H St.) or the Lompoc Landfill. Only nine tires can be legally transported at one time.

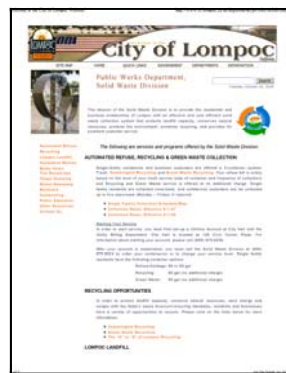
This program is for residents only. Tire dealers, auto repair shops and other businesses are not eligible.

Visit Us On The Web!

If you're looking for more information on any of the programs of the Solid Waste Division, you can visit us on the web. Go to www.cityoflompoc.com; click on the "Fast Find" section located in the upper right hand corner, then click on the "Solid Waste" link.

You can download current Collection and Landfill rates, a Single Family Collection Map, brochures on Recycling, Green Waste, and Household Hazardous Waste, as well as find out how to purchase a Backyard Composting Kit.

In addition, *Trash Talk* and brochures are available in Spanish on the website. Copies of these materials are also displayed at City Hall, the Lompoc Library, the Solid Waste Office and at the Lompoc Landfill. Please call (805) 875-8024 for more information.



Trash Talk

City of Lompoc
Solid Waste Division
100 Civic Center Plaza

The Evolution of the waste can



Collection Tips

To ensure that your containers are serviced on your scheduled collection day, please follow the guidelines below:

- Place containers out no later than 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled collection day. If they are placed out late and missed, there is a \$9 charge for the City to return.
- Containers should be a minimum of 2 feet apart from one another, and 3 feet apart from fences, utility poles and other objects.
- If you are not serviced by 3:00 p.m., please call the Solid Waste Office (875-8024) as soon as possible to report the issue.
- Place containers so that the handles face your home.
- If garbage is stacked too high, and the lid is not able to close, your container may not be serviced. In addition, refuse that is placed outside of your container will not be picked up.
- If prohibited materials (i.e., hazardous wastes) are found in your container, it will not be serviced until the materials are removed.
- Only place containers out (i.e., in the alley) if they need emptying. This practice conserves energy and helps the City keep collection costs to a minimum.

Important Resources

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

Websites:

City of Lompoc www.cityoflompoc.com
SB County Recycling www.lessismore.org
CA Integrated Waste www.ciwm.ca.gov

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Mark Your Calendar!



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Holiday Collection and Landfill Schedule

If your collection day falls on, or follows, a holiday, your service will be delayed by one day that week.

Thursday, December 24, Christmas Eve

Regular collection schedule
Landfill holiday hours (10:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.)

Friday, December 25, Christmas

No collection
Collection on Saturday, December 26
Landfill closed

Friday, January 1, New Years Day

No collection
Collection on Saturday, January 2
Landfill closed

Monday, January 18, Martin Luther King Jr. Day

No collection
Collection delayed by one day all week
Landfill closed

Monday, February 15, Presidents Day

No collection
Collection delayed by one day all week
Landfill closed

Sunday, April 4, Easter

Landfill closed

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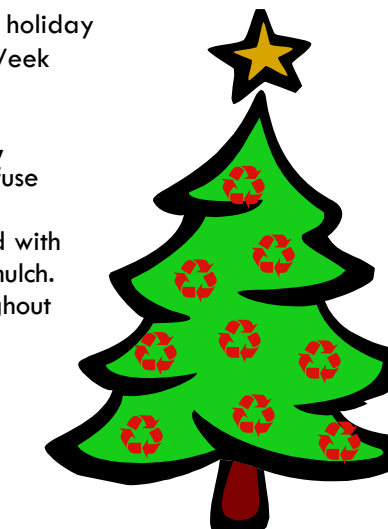
Christmas Tree Recycling Week

January 4th - 8th, 2010

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

Place your tree out for collection by **7:00 a.m., Monday, January 4th**, next to where you normally place your refuse container, and it will be picked up during this week for no additional charge. 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 miss Christmas Tree Recycling Week, you can still bring your tree to the Lompoc Landfill free of charge. Whether you place your tree out for collection or haul it to the Landfill, be sure that all decorations and plastic or metal tree stands have been removed.



Give a Gift to Your Garden

Purchase a Backyard Composting Bin

Convert your vegetable food waste and yard clippings into a high quality soil amendment for your lawn, garden or landscaping! Composting not only provides needed nutrients (phosphorous, potassium, nitrogen, and trace minerals) to your soil, but it also helps divert organic wastes from disposal at the Lompoc Landfill. In fact, your home waste stream can be reduced by as much as 35% by composting food scraps and yard wastes.

The nice thing about home composting is that it is relatively easy, fun and inexpensive. To help residents get started, the **City of Lompoc offers backyard composting kits at the reduced price of \$20**. The kit includes a durable plastic bin that is easy to assemble and an



informative guide book. Depending on how much effort you put towards maintaining the optimum conditions of your compost pile, finished compost can be expected in approximately one to three months, or up to three to eight months. To purchase a compost kit, please call (805) 875-8024.

The following types of wastes can be composted:

Grass clippings, leaves, weeds, dead plants, fruit wastes, manure, straw/hay, coffee grounds, egg shells and vegetable food scraps (but no meat, grease, bones, dairy products or pet wastes).

Are You Managing Your Medicine Cabinet?

Pharmaceutical wastes can pose a number of hazards to public health and the environment. Storing unused and expired medications could lead to drug abuse by teens, and medical emergencies and accidental overdoses for children and seniors. In addition, improper disposal of pharmaceutical wastes can pollute surface and ground waters. In fact, according to a U.S. Geological Survey (2002), 80% of U.S. waterways tested contained pharmaceutical compounds.



For generations, households have been taught to get rid of old medications by pouring them down the drain, flushing them down the toilet, or tossing them in the trash. Because these practices can result in pharmaceuticals being released into the environment and polluting water resources, they are no longer acceptable disposal methods.

Prescription and over-the-counter medications should only be disposed of at an authorized drop-off facility. Lompoc Valley residents should bring their expired or unwanted medications to the appropriate location listed below.

Proper Disposal Options in the Lompoc Valley

Please dispose of unwanted prescription and over-the-counter drugs at one of these locations:

Lompoc Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

1585 North V Street
Call (805) 875-8024 to make an appointment.
Accepts all medications *except* for Controlled Substances such as Codeine, Vicodin, Ritalin, etc.

County of Santa Barbara, Sheriff's Substation

3500 Burton Mesa Rd., (805) 737-7737
Drop-off hours: Mon - Fri, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Accepts all types of medications/drugs.

The Drug Deposit Box (pictured right), at the Sheriff's Substation on Burton Mesa Rd., is made possible through a partnership among the County of Santa Barbara's Sheriff Department, the City of Lompoc's Solid Waste Division, and the County's Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division.



The City Keeping an Eye on Recycling Center

The City's Recycling Center (1585 North V Street) provides Lompoc Valley residents with a convenient place to drop-off recyclables. The Center accepts items such as office paper, cardboard, newspapers, magazines, junk mail, aluminum and tin cans, glass bottles and jars, and plastic containers (coded #1 - #7). The site also hosts a 400-gallon tank and a 55-gallon drum for residents to recycle their used oil and filters.

removing bottles, cans and other materials in order to collect CRV or scrap value at a buyback center. Once recyclables are placed in City bins, the materials are the property of the City.

In order to prevent a few bad apples from ruining the bunch, the City has recently installed surveillance cameras at the Center. The cameras are intended to serve as a deterrent to illegal dumping and scavenging of recyclable materials. In addition, they will enable the City to hold illegal dumpers responsible for their actions. Collection staff hopes that the eventual reduction in illegal dumping will free up more personnel hours to focus on services (i.e., container repairs, street sweeping, etc.) provided to Lompoc customers.



Illegally Dumped Materials at Recycling Center



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, or "Drive-In Recycling" for CRV containers	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, 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: Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility (Does not accept Controlled Substances. Refer to box on right.) Sharps: S.B. County Health Clinic at 301 No. R	Controlled Substances such as Vicodin, Codeine, etc. should be brought to the Drug Deposit box at the County Sheriff's Substation at 3500 Burton Mesa Rd. Call (805) 737-7737 for collection hours.	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	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)	Pickup a 14-quart drain pan and oil filter container (at no charge) at the Solid Waste Office (1300 W. Laurel)	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 Containers	Plastic bottles and containers (coded #1 through #7) such as soda and water bottles, milk jugs, detergent containers, and squeezable ketchup containers	Curbside Commingled Recycling Container, City Recycling Center	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 oil and 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 Rd.
Napa Auto Parts, 1100 North H St.
Perry's Auto Parts, 111 South F St.

State Certified Centers

These sites offer 16 cents/gallon:
Auto Zone*, 538 N. H Street
Jiffy Lube*, 503 N. H Street
Kragen Auto*, 511 W. Central
**Does not accept oil filters*

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 So. G & 1100 No. D St.
(Automotive batteries not accepted)