



# GREEN UPDATES



## GREENWASTE RECOVERY'S QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR PORTOLA VALLEY

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### Green Summer BBQs

Summer is a time for outdoor gatherings, and barbecues are a popular way to enjoy the warm weather with family and friends. These events can generate a lot of waste. By adopting a few simple practices, you can reduce your environmental impact and promote sustainability in your community.

- Consider using reusable plates, cups, and utensils
- Avoid single-use packaging
- Encourage recycling & composting by clearly labeling your containers



## Plastic #1: Polyethylene Terephthalate

GreenWaste can reliably recycle certain products from plastics 1-7. Plastic #1, or polyethylene terephthalate, is a widely used plastic that can be found in a variety of products. Some common examples include:

- water & soft drink bottles
- peanut butter containers
- vegetable oil containers

Where do these recyclables go after they leave the MRF?

The PET plastics have a domestic end market. These plastics are recycled back into beverage containers.



## Keep It Clean

Food and beverage residue makes a recycling mess! Contamination from one cart can affect a whole truck load of recyclables, and require more costly processing, or worse, disposal. Follow these simple steps to do your part and Keep It Clean!

- No liquids
- Use spatulas or used paper towels to remove sticky foods



## Have Extras?

Occasionally, you may find you have additional material and you don't know what to do with it. All material should fit inside your cart with the lid closed.

Extra material may be picked up in a 32-gallon can, or bag, on your normal collection day for a small fee.

Please call Customer Service in advance to your normal collection day to schedule a pick-up. If you regularly have extra material, please contact us to review your options.



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