

WASTELINE

A Publication for GreenWaste Recovery Customers in the City of Scotts Valley

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Safe Recycling of Sharps + Pharmaceuticals

It's not legal to dispose of medical sharps and prescriptions in the trash or recycling, so how do you safely (and legally) dispose of them? The City of Scotts Valley has partnered with the Med-Project to provide free and convenient drop-offs:

Kaiser Scotts Valley

5615 Scotts Valley Drive
(831) 430-2900

OneSource Compounding Pharmacy

104 Whispering Pines Drive, Suite 105
(831) 535-6864

Scotts Valley Police Department

1 Civic Center Drive
(831) 440-5670

CVS Pharmacy

257 Mount Hermon Road
(831) 438-5920

Walgreens

210 Mount Hermon Road
(831) 430-9113



BE SAFE:

- Store medication securely to prevent accidental ingestion or misuse by others, including children and pets.
- Store sharps securely to prevent accidental sticks or misuse by others.
- Always dispose of sharps and medications properly.

Get more information about safe storage and disposal, plus hours and what is accepted at each location at

<https://med-project.org/locations/city-of-scotts-valley/>

GreenWaste Recovery will provide regular collection services on

Memorial Day - Monday, May 27

Independence Day - Thursday, July 4

Please place carts out by 6 a.m.



Remittance Address:

GreenWaste Recovery, P.O. Box 11089, San Jose, CA 95103-1089

We at GreenWaste "Think Differently" and appreciate your suggestions and comments. Please call us today and let us know how we are doing at (800) 665-2209 or (831) 768-9505, or visit us on the web at www.greenwaste.com

Earth Day 2024: Planet vs. Plastic

For Earth Day 2024, let's help our planet win the fight against plastic pollution. We can reduce production of plastic by not buying plastic whenever possible, and cleaning up plastic packaging where we can. Make the simple change that works for you.

Audit your collected waste for a few days and see what you can change to lessen your plastic dependency. Too many single-use cups and food containers? Try BYOE - bringing your own everything. Reuse a cup, straw, plate, and washable napkin. Bring your own to-go container when you dine-in, and reusable bag and produce bags when you shop. Small steps can save the planet from drowning in plastic and save money for you, for business, our landfill, and the planet.



Join a cleanup! Sign up for a local cleanup with www.SaveOurShores.org, or organize your own cleanup. Have fun and enjoy the planet while you reduce plastic pollution! Register your clean up with www.EarthDay.org.

Join others to celebrate sustainability and learn what's new at the Annual Earth Day Santa Cruz Event on Saturday, April 20. Together we can help win this fight for our planet!



Skip the Plastic Bag

For your organics and recycling carts, skip the plastic bags and keep contents loose.

In the blue cart, keep recycling un-bagged to be sure items are recycled, and not mistaken for trash.

In the green cart, your yard trimmings and food scraps are turned into compost that helps grow our food and landscapes. Plastic, metal and other non-organic materials are contaminants. Remember, "If you wouldn't want your food grown in it, keep it out of the green cart!"

If you like using bags to line your interior collection containers, we get it! Just empty their contents into the curbside carts and keep them in the container to reuse, or throw the plastic bags into the trash.

Batteries Burn

Batteries can spark and ignite fires. They are considered household hazardous waste and should never be thrown into the garbage or recycling container. Correctly recycle your household batteries to protect your community and the environment from fire hazards, water pollution and more.

GreenWaste customers in Scotts Valley may place your household batteries in a clear Ziploc-type bag and set the bag on top (not inside) of your recycling cart. Household batteries include AA, AAA, C, D, 6-volt, 9-volt, camera batteries, nickel cadmium and lithium ion.

For other batteries, drop them off free at any Santa Cruz County household hazardous waste facility, including the Ben Lomond location at 9835 Newell Creek Road.

