

FREE HHW/E-Waste Collection Event

Los Angeles County Public Works is hosting a FREE one-day, drive-through collection event of HHW and electronic waste (e-waste) in the city of Diamond Bar.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) is any unwanted product labeled with words such as "TOXIC", "CORROSIVE", "POISON", "FLAMMABLE", "IRRITANT", "DANGER", "CAUTION" or "WARNING". Common items include paint, used motor oil, household cleaning products, car batteries, household batteries, fluorescent lights, mercury thermometers, and garden care products.



Electronic Waste (E-Waste) is any unwanted electronic device such as TVs, stereos, electronic games, microwaves, computers, and some small household appliances.

These items contain harmful chemicals, such as lead and mercury that can pollute the soil and groundwater and should NEVER be thrown away in the trash, poured down the sink drain or poured into storm drains. Safely dispose of these materials at the next **HHW/E-Waste Collection Event** happening:

Saturday, March 14, 2020

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Location: Gateway Corporate Center
(1300 block of Bridge Gate Drive)**

HOW TO PREPARE:

- Pack HHW in cardboard boxes to avoid spillage during transport. Be prepared to leave your containers and boxes at the site.
- Keep items in their original containers. Do not mix products.
- Put like chemicals together. Separate unlike chemicals.
- Label materials that are not in their original containers.
- Make sure containers are not leaking and lids are tightly sealed.
- Put your boxes in your car trunk, away from passengers during transport. Remove all other items from the trunk.
- At the event, trained personnel will ask you to remain in your car while they remove the HHW from your trunk.

**Please note that there is a limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of household hazardous waste per trip. For more information about collection events or sustainability programs to help businesses and residents of LA County, please call (888) CLEAN-LA or visit www.CleanLA.com.*

Recycling Mandates AB 341 & AB 1826

Are you meeting the current state recycling mandate requirements? California's passage of Assembly Bills 341 and 1826 have set forth new standards when it comes to recycling for businesses and multi-family complexes. Currently under **AB 341 (Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law)**, businesses that generate 4 or more cubic yards of waste weekly and multi-family properties of 5 units or more are required to arrange for recycling services. Under **AB 1826 (Mandatory Organics Recycling Law)**, businesses and multi-family complexes must start recycling organic waste if they generate 4 or more cubic yards of solid waste and/or organic waste per week.

Organic waste recycling includes recycling of the following types of material:

- Food Waste
- Non-Hazardous Wood Waste
- Green Waste
- Landscape & Pruning Waste
- Food-Soiled Paper*

**Food-soiled paper includes items such as wax-coated food containers and soiled napkins mixed with food waste. Food-soiled paper does not include paper products with a plastic coating, e.g. paper cups with a polyethylene coating.*

The Green Team at VVS can help you assess your waste stream, make suggestions on how to reduce waste & increase recycling, and make sure that appropriate collection service is arranged. Whether starting from scratch or looking to revise or expand an existing program, our customized on-site recycling program can help.



TO GET STARTED:

- ✓ Contact a VVS Green Team Member
- ✓ Get a FREE consultation by our experts
- ✓ Receive FREE Training & Technical Assistance
- ✓ Divert waste from going into the landfill

To schedule your free consultation, please call our Recycling Coordinator today at (626) 855-5539.

Earth Day 2020

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day, a global event focused on demonstrating support for environmental protection. With this year's theme being *climate action*, we encourage everyone to join the collective actions being taken in local communities around the world that address environmental issues facing our planet.



The city of Diamond Bar will be celebrating Earth Day with a special event on **Saturday, April 25, 2020 from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm** and will be located at South Coast Air Quality Management District at **21865 Copley Drive**. The event will have eco-friendly activities, workshops, and helpful information on ways to become more environmentally-friendly. **To learn more about the impact of Earth Day and how you can start making more sustainable choices, reduce your carbon footprint, and conserve energy and resources, visit earthday.org/takeaction today!**

Sustainability Tips:

Did you know that buying recycled products benefits the economy, the environment, and your bottom line as a business owner? It's also an important step in completing the lifecycle of a recycled item! This helps to create the demand needed for materials collected in recycling programs. Some really great and easy products to start swapping out for recycled materials are: packaging materials, refilled printer cartridges, plastic "to-go" containers, and most paper products like coffee cups and printer paper.



FREE Smart Gardening Workshop

Intro to Composting

Interested in taking your gardening skills to the next level? Whether you're just starting out in home gardening or need a refresher course on the basics, attending this free workshop will give you all the information you need to be successful. This class will cover topics such as:

- **Backyard composting**
- **Water-wise gardening**
- **Worm composting**
- **Grass-cycling**
- **Edible gardening**

The best part about this class is that you will be able to gain hands-on experience!

This class is free and open to all so bring your friends and neighbors.

No reservations needed. The Smart Gardening

Workshop will take place **Wednesday, March 4, 2020 from 6 pm - 7:30 pm**. Located at the Diamond Bar Center (Sycamore Room) at **1600 Grand Avenue**. There will also be discounted compost bins available for purchase immediately following the workshop.



Holiday Schedule

Collection Service will not run on these holidays:

- **New Year's Day**
- **Memorial Day**
- **Independence Day**
- **Labor Day**
- **Thanksgiving Day**
- **Christmas Day**

If your regular collection day falls on or after one of these holidays, pick up will be delayed one day. Excluding holidays, our normal business hours are Monday through Friday 8 am - 5 pm and Saturday 8 am - 1 pm.

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