



## BUSINESS OWNERS AND MULTI-FAMILY PROPERTIES WITH 5+ UNITS

must keep their recyclables and compostables\* separate from the garbage.

State Law Requirements Expand January 1, 2019

*\* Requirements for compost phase in depending on amount of garbage generated*

### ATTENTION UP VALLEY PROPERTY OWNERS AND MANAGERS:

**Recycling is already mandatory** for businesses that generate four or more yards of trash per week and all multifamily dwellings with five or more units (per Assembly Bill No. 341).

**Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling (Assembly Bill No. 1826) requires businesses that generate organic materials to separate the material for composting.** Organic materials include food scraps, green waste, landscape and pruning waste and clean wood waste.

*This letter is to notify you that businesses and multi family properties that generate specified amounts of solid waste (garbage) per week should arrange for composting services, in accordance with the following schedule:*

DEADLINE	MINIMUM VOLUME REQUIRING PARTICIPATION
January 1, 2019	4 yards or more of solid waste (garbage) per week
January 1, 2020	2 yards or more of solid waste (garbage) per week

### HOW TO ARRANGE FOR RECYCLING OR COMPOSTING SERVICES

Please see the enclosed brochure for a description of our business recycling services. For more information, call the **Upper Valley Waste Management Agency** at (707) 259-8330 or **Upper Valley Disposal & Recycling** at (707) 963-7988, or email [upvalleyrecycles@countyofnapa.org](mailto:upvalleyrecycles@countyofnapa.org).

### ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE!

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency staff can conduct **free site visits and staff trainings** to help businesses comply with the State's mandatory recycling and composting requirements.

Call (707) 259-8330 or email [upvalleyrecycles@countyofnapa.org](mailto:upvalleyrecycles@countyofnapa.org) to **schedule a presentation.**

You can find more information on California's recycling and composting laws, including helpful FAQ pages, at [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics) and [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial).



## TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL FOOD COMPOSTING PROGRAM



*These same materials have always been in your garbage, with proper handling the food composting program will not make your business messier.*

- 1 Provide convenient, clearly labeled containers in areas where food waste is generated.
- 2 Use containers sized appropriately for employee lifting. Food scraps can be very heavy.
- 3 Always keep the lids closed on the food composting carts to minimize odor and vectors.
- 4 Designate one or more staff members to oversee the program.
- 5 Periodically clean food scrap carts.

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## NAPA COUNTY GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM

### Apply to Be a Green Business

A certified Green Business operates in an environmentally responsible manner. By offering technical assistance, the County helps local businesses save money by helping them to conserve energy and water, minimize waste, prevent pollution, and shrink their carbon footprint.

The program, part of the California Green Business Network, certifies small and medium sized businesses throughout Napa County. The program also acts as the third party certifier for the Green Winery Program.

### Steps to Certification

- 1 Enroll at: [www.greenbusinessca.org](http://www.greenbusinessca.org).
- 2 Document successes in energy efficiency, water conservation, pollution prevention and solid waste reduction/recycling.
- 3 Green Business partners will conduct waste, water and energy assessments.
- 4 Complete the application (all categories should be at 80- 90% completion).
- 5 Participate in a final walk-through and receive your Green Business Certification.

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