

Reducing Holiday Waste

Keeping Corona Clean



Small Steps Can Go A Long Way This Season

This holiday season, small steps can help a lot when you consider that according to the EPA, household waste increases 25 percent each year between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day, amounting to about 1 million extra tons.

As you host friends and family during the holidays you can help spread cheer by incorporating a few of these ideas to reduce waste at home, protect the environment and conserve natural resources.



When entertaining, use reusable utensils, plates, glasses, napkins and table coverings instead of disposables. If you don't already have these items, rent them rather than purchasing them. Remember to bring your reusable bag when you are out shopping for gifts and food.



Have recycling containers clearly labeled and convenient for guests to use and recycle their bottles, cans, paper and other recyclables.



Store leftovers in reusable containers and have a compost bin for food scraps—these are great for your garden. Composting is a simple and natural way to turn yard and food waste into valuable organic fertilizer for your home garden.

Planning Your Thanksgiving Gathering?

Buy locally grown food: Locally grown food travels fewer miles, thereby using less fuel, and that's good for the environment. It also contributes more to your local economy by supporting local farmers and merchants.

Use reusable bags when shopping for your holiday meal: By using reusable bags, you extend the availability of our limited natural resources.

Right-size your feast: Plan ahead and prepare a delicious meal that satisfies without leftovers that go to waste.

Holiday Schedule Reminder

There will be no trash and recycling collection on the following holidays and collection service will be delayed one day following each holiday:

- **Thanksgiving Day**, Thursday, November 27, 2014
- **Christmas Day**, Thursday, December 25, 2014
- **New Year's Day**, Thursday, January 1, 2015
- **Memorial Day**, Monday, May 25, 2015
- **Independence Day**, Saturday, July 4, 2015
- **Labor Day**, Monday, September 7, 2015
- **Thanksgiving**, Thursday, November 26, 2015
- **Christmas Day**, Friday, December 25, 2015



Give Your Tree Back To Mother Earth After Holiday Festivities

Waste Management will collect and recycle Holiday trees for the first 2 weeks following the Christmas holiday on your regular collection day.

- Trees taller than six feet must be cut in half.
- Remove all decorations including tinsel, lights, ornaments, tree stands.
- Flocked trees will be collected but cannot be recycled.

For multi-family dwellings, trees should be stacked in one convenient location. Check with your landlord or property manager for designated location.

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