City of Solvang

Recycling News

Summer 2025



As we refresh our spaces for the sunny season, let's embrace a more mindful approach: give your items a second life before buying new. Whether it's repairing a beach chair, repurposing old décor, or refreshing summer gear, small actions can make a big impact. You'll reduce waste, save money, and create a more meaningful connection with the things you own. Let's make this summer not just bright—but sustainable too!



Keep Children Safe Around Collection Trucks

Collection trucks can be fascinating to watch as they keep our neighborhoods clean, but safety should always come first! Here are some important tips to ensure your little ones stay safe:

- Keep a Safe Distance: It's easy for kids to get excited and want to follow collection trucks. Please remind them to keep a safe distance, as these trucks frequently stop and back up.
- Enjoy the Show from Afar: Encourage your children to watch the collection process from a safe spot.
- Hands Off, Helpers!: Remind your child that only professionals should load trash or recycling into the truck to keep everyone safe.
- Stay Visible: Remind your child that if they can't see the driver's eyes, the driver likely can't see them.

By following these simple tips, we can all enjoy the impressive work of our collection teams while keeping our children and pets safe. Let's work together to make **our** community both clean and safe!



Tips For Smart Recycling

Recycle Right®

Remember these three simple rules each time you recycle:







Keep food and liquid out of your recycling.



No loose plastic bags and no bagged recyclables.

Composting To Help Cut Food Waste

Solvang residents are encouraged to place food scraps in their trash carts, but why not try composting instead? Composting helps reduce food waste and creates a nutrient-rich fertilizer for your garden. Common scraps like banana peels, apple cores, egg shells, and coffee grounds are perfect for composting.

To create a successful compost pile, remember these three key ingredients:

- Organic Material: Combine greens (food scraps, yard trimmings) with browns (dry leaves, sawdust, straw).
- 2. Water: Keep the pile moist by adding water occasionally.
- 3. Air: Mix the pile every two weeks to ensure proper aeration.

For more information on backyard composting, visit calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/HomeCompost.

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2025 Collection Schedule

Garbage collection is weekly. Please check your calendar for recyclables and green waste collection dates.

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Observed Holidays

if one of these days falls on or before your regular collection day, your garbage will be collected one day after your regular collection day.

Si uno de estros días cae en o antes de su día de recogida habitual, su basura será recogido un día despues del día habitual. Si uno de estos días festivos cae en sabado o domingo, no hay cambio.

New Year's Day: Monday January 1, 2025 Memorial Day: Monday May 26, 2025 Independence Day: Friday July 4, 2025

Labor Day: Monday September 1, 2025
Thanksgiving Day: Thursday November 27, 2025
Christmas Day: Thursday December 25, 2025

Días festivos que se cumplen son:

Ano Nuevo, Día Memorable, Día de Independencia, Día del Trabajo, Día de Acción de Gracias y Navidad.

