

## **California Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law**



**AB1826** 

### **I ORGANICS RECYCLING**

#### **NEW SERVICES AVAILABLE SOON**

#### **Commercial Food Waste Recycling.**

Waste Management will soon provide food waste collection service for businesses in Nevada County, Grass Valley and Nevada City. This option will bring local businesses into compliance with state law.

During the initial rollout, this service will only be available in a 64-gallon cart size at \$84 per month.

#### THE LAW

California law (AB1826) requires commercial businesses and multifamily properties generating a total of 4 cubic yards, or more, of solid waste per week to have recycling collection services. Those services include mandatory collection of organic materials such as food scraps, food-soiled paper and landscaping trimmings.

4 CUBIC YARDS IS THE EQUIVALENT OF 8.5 96-GALLON CARTS.

#### **WASTE MANAGEMENT IS HERE TO HELP.**

Contact us for a free waste assessment or additional compliance questions.

Some ways to meet AB 1826 requirements

- Donate extra food to local food banks and food pantries
- · Compost yard waste
- Sign up for Organics Service through Waste Management
- Request an exemption from the County

# You may qualify for an exemption from AB 1826 requirements if:

- Multifamily complexes or businesses lack sufficient space to provide additional organic material recycling bins.
- Existing business actions result in the recycling of a significant portion of organic waste.
- Waste generation by the business or group is less than one-half of a cubic yard of organic waste per week.
- \*Extraordinary and unforeseen events (limited-term exemptions)



#### **Food Waste**

Discarded vegetables, fruits, meats, bones



\*Food waste recycling only available in 64-gallon carts. Multiple containers may be provided for greater service levels.

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### DOES THIS APPLY TO MY BUSINESS?

AB 1826 defines a business as a commercial or public entity, including but not limited to a firm, partnership, proprietorship, joint stock company, corporation, association that is organized as a for-profit or nonprofit entity, strip mall, industrial facility, school, school district, university, community college, special district or a federal, state, local, regional agency, or a multifamily residential dwelling of five or more units.

#### **RECYCLING BENEFITS**

- Opportunities for businesses or multifamily complexes to save money.
- Creating jobs in California by providing materials for recycling manufacturing facilities.
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Keeping valuable materials out of landfills.
- Creating a healthy environment for the community and future generations by recovering natural resources.

