



# BUTTE COUNTY RECYCLER



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## WHAT GOES WHERE? THANKSGIVING EDITION

Thanksgiving is around the corner. With all the cooking involved, it can be overwhelming to figure out how to dispose of everything properly. WM put together a guide to assist you in discarding materials correctly and learning where they belong.

### Aluminum/Steel Cans

Many traditional Thanksgiving foods are packaged in aluminum or steel cans. This includes popular items such as cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie mix, and candied yams. If these containers are made of aluminum or steel, they can be recycled. Make sure to wipe out food residues before placing them in the recycling cart.

### Glasses

Glass bottles and containers can be placed in your recycling container as long as they are empty and dry. Broken jars and bottles can also go in the recycling cart. However, WM does not accept drinking glasses, damaged or not. Discard them in the trash bin.

### Plastic Bottles

Plastic bottles, tubs, and jugs can all go into your recycling. Only place empty and dry items into your container. Never bag your recyclables!

### Single-use Items

As the name suggests, single-use utensils and containers can't be recycled. Paper plates, cups, cutlery, straws, and other small plastic items should be placed in your trash bin.

### Food Scraps

WM and Butte County representatives are finalizing plans to process food scraps. Until then, we can't collect food scraps and food-soiled paper. Discard them in your trash bin. Organics recycling updates will be sent to you to communicate any changes.

### Cooking Oil

Please do not place cooking oil in your curbside carts. Transfer it to a sealed container and take to the Butte Regional Household Hazardous Waste Facility in Chico. Butte County residents may discard up to 5 gallons per resident, at no additional cost. Bring a utility or garbage bill to proof residency. For more information visit: [www.buttecounty.net/recyclebutte/householdhazardouswaste](http://www.buttecounty.net/recyclebutte/householdhazardouswaste)

### Butte Reg. Household Hazardous Facility

1101 Marauder St. Chico, CA 95973

Friday: 9am-1pm

Saturday: 9am-4pm

(866) 429-2288



## BEYOND THE CURB WHERE RECYCLABLES GO AFTER COLLECTION?

Materials collected in the recycling cart are transported to one of WM's sorting facilities, known as Materials Recovery Facilities or MRFs. There, recyclables are sorted into types and baled for easy transport. To where? Not overseas. In response to concerns about plastic pollution, WM doesn't ship materials collected on its residential recycling routes and processed in single-stream MRFs to locations outside North America.

WM is working to establish responsible domestic markets for recycling. In 2019, WM sold 77% of its recyclables (paper and plastic) to national businesses. As an advocate for proper management of materials through end of life, WM is continuously improving strategies to respond to shifts in the global plastic market.

Your support is crucial. By sorting materials right you can help us increase the amount of recycled materials, preventing them from ending in the landfills and giving them a second life.

### Manage Your Account Online With the MyWM Mobile App



Enjoy more control over your services with added convenience. Download the app at [wm.com](http://wm.com) or scan the code to manage your service and set preferences.

### Service Update: Holiday Reminder

#### **NOVEMBER 23 - THANKSGIVING**

Collections **WILL NOT** occur.

If your collection day falls on this holiday or any day after during the same week, we'll service your carts a day later.