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April – June 2016

[Busy Calendar](#)

Be sure to check out the event calendar on the reverse side. There is a lot happening.

[Recycling Highlights](#)

Residential recycling increased an impressive 39% in 2015! Our residential customers diverted 14,298,000 pounds of recyclable material from landfill disposal.

We attribute this impressive performance to a caring community, improved green waste recycling options and the 2014 change to once-weekly trash collection from carts.

A weakened global demand continues to impact the value of recyclables. The cost to process mixed recyclables continues to increase because of new, more stringent quality standards driven by foreign markets. Currently, we are paid \$15.75 per ton for mixed recyclables and are charged \$15.00 per ton for processing.

Since the Coachella Valley lacks facilities to process recyclables, there is an added cost to transport the material to Riverside Area facilities; something that many Southern California communities do not face. That adds another \$34.00 per ton to the cost.

For the remainder of this year, we will be concentrating on expanding recycling services to residential developments and apartment complexes that utilize bins for trash removal. These customers face recycling challenges because trash and recycling enclosure space is usually very limited. We are working with these projects on a case-by-case basis.

[Document Shredding & E-Waste Event](#)

A free document shredding and E-Waste recycling event begins at **8 A.M. on April 16th** in the City Hall parking lot, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way.

Documents are limited to 3 containers per vehicle, per day (container size: 9" x 13" x 17").

Electronic equipment (computers, monitors, microwaves, keyboards, printers, cell phones, fax machines and batteries AAA, AA, C, D, button, 9-volt & rechargeables) will be collected and dismantled & recycled.

[Upcoming Events](#)

- ~April 4, 6 PM, Ethics, Transparency & Government Task Force, Police Training Ctr.
- ~April 11, 6 PM, Budget Town Hall Meeting, City Hall Council Chamber
- ~April 12, 6 PM, Budget Town Hall Meeting, City Hall Council Chamber
- ~April 16, 8 AM, FREE shredding & E-waste event, City Hall parking lot
- ~April 19, 5 PM, Sustainability Commission meeting, City Hall Large Conf. Room
- ~April 20, 6:30 PM, "America Recycled" screening, Public Library Learning Center
- ~April 23, 9 AM, Sustainable Saturday Film Series, "Bikes vs. Cars", Camelot Theaters
- ~April 18-22, FREE curbside collection of bulky waste, excess trash and yard waste (limits apply)
- ~April 23, 8 AM-2 PM, FREE bulky waste, excess trash and yard waste drop off, City Hall parking lot
- ~May 2, 6 PM, Ethics, Transparency & Government Task Force meeting, Police Training Center
- ~May 17, 5 PM, Sustainability Commission meeting, City Hall Large Conference Room
- ~May 21, 9 AM – Noon, Used Oil & Oil Filter Recycling Event, O'Reilly Auto Parts, 1717 E Vista Chino
- ~May 28, 9 AM, Sustainable Saturday Film Series, "Landfill Harmonic", Camelot Theaters
- ~June 6, 6 PM, Ethics, Transparency & Government Task Force, Police Training Center
- ~June 21, 5 PM, Sustainability Commission meeting, City Hall Large Conference Room
- ~September (all month long), our fees are waived for service changes made during the month



[Should I Rinse?](#)

No, save the water. It is not necessary to rinse containers that you place in your **BLUE CART** to be recycled. The processing that occurs later will remove food, labels and foreign matter.

[Community Clean-Up Event](#)

Curbside. The Spring 2016 curbside collection event will start Monday, April 18th (for single-family residents ONLY). You do not need to contact us to arrange a collection. Place up to two bulky items OR four containers of excess trash OR two bundles of yard waste at the curb by 6:00 A.M., Monday, April 18th. Our crews will make one pass through the City during the week collecting these items. This is a FREE event.

Drop Off. If you prefer to drop off bulky items or trash, you may drop off waste at the Palm Springs City Hall parking lot, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way. Drop-offs will be accepted on Saturday, April 23rd ONLY, 8 A.M. to 2 P.M. Waste from commercial landscapers and contractors is not accepted. This is a FREE event for PS residents.

Rental. If these events are not convenient, we rent bins for small projects and debris boxes for large projects.

Donate. Please note that if you have unwanted items that are usable to someone else, contact one of the Valley's charities for free collection.

[Selling Your Home?](#)

If you are selling your home, please remember to cancel your auto-pay arrangement online at www.palmspringsdisposal.com.