

What You Need To Know About . . .

Recycling For Your Business

We encourage all of our businesses to recycle the materials from their waste stream whenever possible. It is environmentally friendly and may save you money on monthly disposal costs. In California, certain businesses and multi-family properties are required by law to have a recycling program.

In October 2011, Governor Brown signed Assembly Bill 341 creating the Mandatory Commercial Recycling law. This law applies to:

- All businesses that generate more than 4 cubic yards of solid waste per week
- All multi-family properties with 5 or more units

State- approved recycling programs include:

- Arrange for recycling services directly through the city's authorized waste hauler, and separate recyclables into the appropriate container.
- Donate, sell, and/or make other arrangements for pick up of the recyclable materials. This includes self-hauling the material directly to recycling facilities.
- Have your hauler sort through the commingled trash and recyclables to recover the recyclables from the waste stream prior to landfill (this service is automatically provided in Huntington Beach).

Huntington Beach's contracted waste hauler, Rainbow Environmental (now a division of Republic Services), has staff that can assist you in implementing the right commercial recycling program for your business or apartment property. Call 657-845-6111 for more information.

The city's franchise agreement with Rainbow requires them to sort the trash from the blue dumpsters at their Materials Recovery facility. In this process, much of the recyclable materials are recovered from the waste stream and do not go to landfill.

Please assist in making the commercial sort more efficient by bagging contaminants such as food scraps, pet waste, and diapers to keep separate from the other material in the trash. By reducing contamination, a greater percentage of recyclables gets recovered during the sorting process.

The State of California offers information and assistance on their website at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Recycle/Commercial/>

Questions about this information? Contact the City of Huntington Beach's Trash and Recycling office at 714-375-5010 or email trashinfo@surfcity-hb.org.