

# Please sort waste into the correct bin

Por favor, disponer los residuos en el correcto contenedor de reciclaje  
请将废物分类到正确的桶内

2024-2025

## PLASTIC, GLASS & METALS ENVASES METÁLICOS, PLÁSTICO RÍGIDO Y VIDRIO 硬塑料, 玻璃, 金属

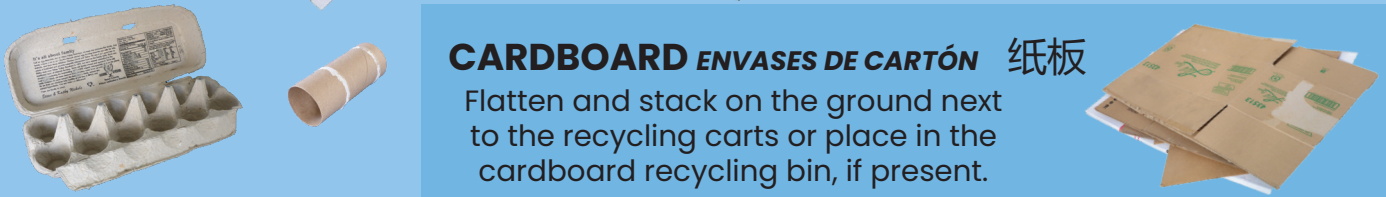


## PAPER PAPEL 纸



## CARDBOARD ENVASES DE CARTÓN 纸板

Flatten and stack on the ground next to the recycling carts or place in the cardboard recycling bin, if present.



## ORGANICS 堆肥 ORGÁNICOS



## LANDFILL 埋葬垃圾 BASURERO



Visit [DavisRecycling.org](http://DavisRecycling.org) for more information

RECYCLING 回收  
RECICLAJE

# Sorting your recyclable and compostable waste can help slow climate change!

## Landfills are the 3rd largest source of methane emissions in California.

- When buried in landfills, organic wastes such as paper, cardboard, food scraps, food-soiled paper products and yard trimmings emit 20% of the state's methane (a climate super pollutant 84 times more potent than carbon dioxide) and air pollutants like PM 2.5 (which contributes to health conditions like asthma).
- Organic wastes make up half of what Californians send to landfills.
- **Reducing the amount of organic waste in landfills can have a direct impact on the climate crisis and create healthier air for all of us to breathe.**

**Sorting our waste is also required by law.** Sorting recyclables and organic materials from the trash has been required in Davis since 2016. State-wide laws now require all residents and businesses to sort their waste properly.

**See the front page for information on what goes in each bin.**



## Where does our waste go?

Recyclables are hand-sorted here in Davis before they are shipped out to be recycled into new products.

Organic wastes are brought to a composting facility at the Landfill where they are turned into clean energy and nutrient-rich compost.

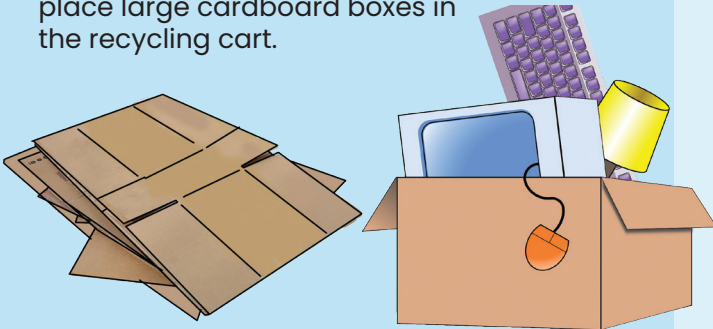
Trash is taken to the Yolo Landfill where it is buried. Trash is not sorted to remove recyclable and organic waste, so please sort your waste carefully!

## Moving In?

You probably have a lot of cardboard moving boxes.

**Cardboard CANNOT be placed in the trash.**

Please empty boxes of all packing materials (i.e. Styrofoam, plastic "packaging air bags" and polystyrene peanuts), flatten them and stack them flat on the ground next to the recycling carts or in the cardboard bin (if present). Please don't place large cardboard boxes in the recycling cart.



## Got extra food?

Instead of letting it go to waste, donate extra food that's still edible so it can be given to those in need. Visit [DavisRecycling.org](http://DavisRecycling.org) and click on the link for Edible Food Recovery for more info on donating food.

Californians send 11.2 billion pounds of food to landfills each year.

Avoid wasted food by planning meals for the week and only buy those ingredients.



## Moving Out?

Be responsible as you are moving and help keep our city beautiful by donating your unwanted items instead of leaving them on the street, sidewalk or in your front yard. Do not place usable items in the trash. If you have items that are no longer needed, here are some tips to keep usable items out of landfills:

- **Take a closer look at what you're throwing away.** It's possible that at least half of what you're tossing out is recyclable or compostable (see the front page for details).
- **Consider donating unwanted but useful items.** Local thrift stores accept a wide variety of reusable goods. Please call to verify drop-off times and currently accepted items:
  - ▶ **Big Blue Barn Thrift Store at the Yolo County Central Landfill** 4090 County Road 28H, Woodland | 530-666-8856 | Donations accepted daily from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Yolo County Central Landfill is a one-stop-shop where you can donate items for reuse, recycle what can't be reused, and throw away whatever is left.
  - ▶ **Community Mercantile** 622 Cantrill Dr. | 530-379-3070 Please call or text to see if items are accepted.
  - ▶ **Goodwill Donation Xpress** 417 Mace Blvd. | 530-231-5111 Donations accepted daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
  - ▶ **Goodwill Thrift Store** 1640 E. 8th St. | 530-564-4474 Donations accepted 7 days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
  - ▶ **Yolo County SPCA Thrift Store** 920 3rd St. | 530-758-0544 Donations accepted Mon. – Sat. from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Post items online that you would like to sell or give away.**
- **Recycle unwanted mattresses and box springs.** Bring mattresses and box springs to the landfill for free recycling. Recology also accepts them for free recycling during CRV buy back hours (M – F 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. & Sat. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- **Visit [DavisRecycling.org](http://DavisRecycling.org) for more ways to reuse and recycle unwanted items when you are moving.**



# These items cannot be thrown away in the trash

## Batteries

Residents can recycle single-use household batteries at these sites in Davis:



- CVS, 1550 E. Covell and 1471 W. Covell Blvd.
- Davis Ace Hardware, 3rd & G St.
- Davis Food Co-Op, 620 G St.
- Davis Senior Center, 646 A St.
- Nugget Markets, 409 Mace and 1414 E. Covell Blvd.
- Recology Davis Recycling Center, 2727 2nd St. (during buyback hours only: Mon. – Fri.: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- Rite Aid, 655 Russell Blvd.

Place alkaline and lithium batteries into separate plastic bags for safety.

## Sharps Waste and Unused Medications

Unused medications and sharps (used hypodermic needles, lancets and other devices used to penetrate the skin) cannot go in the trash or be flushed down a drain.

**Visit Med-Project.org to request a free, pre-paid, pre-addressed mail-back package to safely dispose of used sharps and unwanted medications.**

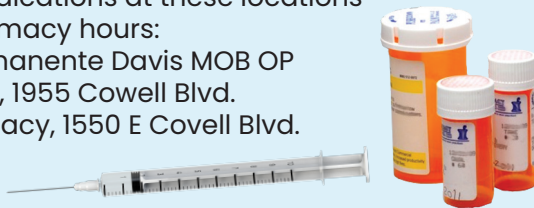
### To dispose of sharps waste locally:

Place sharps waste in a puncture-proof container, tape the lid shut and write "Sharps Waste" on the outside of the container. Bring the filled container to a location listed below for free and safe disposal:

- Recology Davis Recycling Center, 2727 2nd St. M – F 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. & Sat. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Yolo County Landfill, 44090 County Rd. 28H Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

### To dispose of medications locally:

1. Remove or blackout your information on prescription labels.
2. Place pills in a clear, zippered plastic bag and recycle the container. Keep liquids & creams in their original containers & seal them tightly.
3. Drop off medications at these locations during pharmacy hours:
  - Kaiser Permanente Davis MOB OP Pharmacy, 1955 Cowell Blvd.
  - CVS Pharmacy, 1550 E Covell Blvd.



## Electronics and Fluorescent Bulbs

Residents can bring fluorescent bulbs and fluorescent tubes (limit of 20) and electronics such as televisions, computers, phones, printers and other electronics for free every day to the Yolo County Landfill. See the location and hours below.



## Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

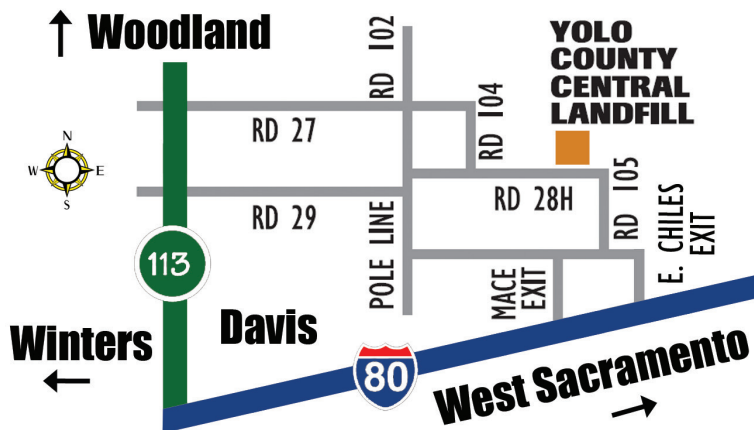
Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., residents can bring toxic items to the Yolo Landfill for free. Seniors and persons with disabilities can schedule a free pick-up by calling 530-666-8856. Accepted items include:

- automotive products
- batteries & paint
- fluorescent bulbs & tubes
- household cleaners
- pesticides and herbicides
- used syringes
- propane and helium canisters
- used cooking oils, fats and grease



## Yolo County Central Landfill

44090 County Rd. 28H, Woodland  
 Mon. – Sat. 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. & Sun. from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 530-666-8729 or IWM@YoloCounty.org  
[www.YoloCounty.org/Landfill](http://www.YoloCounty.org/Landfill)



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## 5 WAYS YOU CAN Protect the Sewer System

### No fats, oils or grease down the drain

Avoid clogged pipes by taking fats, oils and grease to the Yolo Landfill household hazardous waste drop-off.

### Keep food waste out of the sink

Scrape food scraps off dishes and place them in your organics cart.

### Dispose of medicines properly

Unused medicines should never be poured down the sink or toilet.

### Don't flush garbage

Place "flushable" or disposable products such as wipes and cleaning wands in the trash.

### Dispose of hazardous wastes properly

Household chemicals should never be poured in the sink or toilet.

## 5 REASONS TO USE Integrated Pest Management

### Reduces environmental risk related to pesticides

Using least harmful and more ecologically friendly options are safer for the environment

### Promotes sound structures and healthy plants

Evaluating the entire site rather than just the current pest can provide benefits for buildings and landscapes.

### Protects non-target species

Pesticides can cause unintended harm to non-target and beneficial species when not used correctly.

### Reduces potential for water contamination

Improperly applied pesticides can wash off lawns from irrigation and rain, draining into waterways and wetlands.

### Costs less

Treating specific pests as needed rather than with scheduled broad treatments can save money.

## 5 WAYS YOU CAN Protect Wildlife

### Less toxic rodent control

Rodent poisons can harm wildlife like hawks and owls. Instead, use traps and seal gaps to keep rodents out.

### Less toxic insect control

Control ants and roaches with boric acid-based baits. Store food in sealed containers or in the refrigerator.

### Feed pets indoors

Pet food is for pets, not wildlife. Feed pets indoors to reduce wildlife encounters.

### Keep pets indoors

Keep pet cats indoors to protect local birds from predation.

### Close outdoor waste bin lids

Keep waste bin lids closed after depositing waste to prevent wildlife from rummaging.

## 5 WAYS YOU CAN Prevent Water Pollution

### Can all waste and close the lid

Make sure all your trash, recyclables and organic wastes end up in the proper waste containers. Close the lids to keep rainwater out and prevent litter.

### Wash your car the green way

Either wash your cars at a commercial car wash facility (where the dirty water goes to the sewer to be cleaned) or use eco-friendly soaps and limit water use.

### Sweep instead of wash

Use a broom instead of water to clean outdoor surfaces and keep debris out of the street and storm drain.

### Clean up after your pets

Pet waste contains bacteria that can make wildlife sick. Pick up your pet's waste and place it in the trash.

### Limit pesticides

Reduce the use of pesticides. Use integrated pest management and look for alternatives when possible.

## 5 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW About Your Tap Water

### We have quality water

In Davis, we enjoy high-quality water from the Sacramento River and deep-water wells.

### Tap water is convenient

Water comes straight to your tap.

### Our water is regulated for transparency

State and Federal law limits the amount of contaminants in both tap and bottled water. Tap water suppliers are required to inform the community of what specifically is in the water you drink. Bottled water suppliers are not.

### It's sustainable

Tap water in a reusable water bottle cuts down on plastic waste from single-use water bottles.

### It's economical

Tap water costs pennies per gallon—much cheaper than bottled water.

## 5 WAYS YOU CAN Conserve Water

**Repair or report leaks.** Look and listen for leaks. Repair leaks and broken irrigation (or if renting, report them to the property manager).

**Soak dishes.** Rather than let the water run while scrubbing, use a dishpan, large pot or plug the sink to soak dishes before washing.

**Shorten showers.** Keep showers to five minutes or less and turn off water while lathering.

**Limit running water.** Turn off the water while you're brushing your teeth, shaving or lathering your hands.

**Fill it up.** Only wash full loads of dishes and clothes to conserve water.

