# Bayview Refuse & Recycling Service, Inc.

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## Happy Holidays from your Team at Bayview Refuse & Recycling!

As another year comes to a close, we want to thank you for the opportunity to serve you. We appreciate your continued support and look forward to keeping our communities clean and sustainable in 2027. Wishing you and your families a safe, happy, and wonderful holiday season!

## California's SB 54: What Homeowners Should Know

California's new SB 54 packaging law is designed to reduce plastic waste and make packaging more recyclable or compostable.

The law puts more responsibility on manufacturers and companies to reduce packaging waste, improve recycling, and help fund California's recycling systems.

**What does this mean for you?**
You can help by making a few simple changes at home, especially during the busy holiday season:

- Recycle right: Place only accepted recyclable materials in your recycling cart.
- Break down cardboard: Flatten shipping boxes to save space in your recycling cart.
- Keep recycling clean and dry: Empty containers and keep food and liquids out of your recycling.
- Reuse when possible: Reuse gift bags, boxes, and packing materials instead of throwing them away.
- Reduce holiday waste: Choose less packaging when shopping and consider reusable gift wrap.

**Looking Ahead:** By 2032, California aims to reduce single-use plastic packaging by 25%, recycle 65% of covered single-use plastic packaging, and ensure covered packaging is recyclable or compostable.

***Together, small changes at home can make a big difference. Thank you for doing your part to keep our communities clean and California sustainable!***

## New Year, Less Waste!

As we head into 2027, here are three simple ways to make a difference:

1. **Reuse more:** Give gift bags, boxes, and packaging a second life.
2. **Recycle smarter:** Know what belongs in your garbage, recycling, and compost carts.
3. **Reduce food waste:** Plan meals, save leftovers, and compost accepted food scraps.

***Small everyday habits can help create cleaner neighborhoods and a healthier environment.***

## Holiday Collection Schedule

**Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 26**

- Collection as usual on 11/26

**Christmas Day – Friday, December 25th**

- If your collection day is on Friday, pickup will be on Saturday 12/26

**New Years Day – Friday, January 1st**

- If your collection day is on Friday, pickup will be on Saturday 1/2

**Please check your collection schedule and make sure carts and bins are accessible on your designated service day.**

## Holiday Recycling: What Goes Where?

Between online shopping, gift wrapping, and holiday gatherings, household waste can add up quickly. A few simple steps can make a difference!

### Recycle

- Flatten cardboard shipping boxes.
- Recycle clean, accepted paper packaging (holiday cards & envelopes).
- Empty and rinse accepted bottles and containers.
- Keep recyclables loose rather than bagged.

### Garbage

- Ribbons, bows, and glittery wrapping paper.
- Plastic gift cards.
- Non-recyclable gift packaging like foam, foil, or cellophane wrap.

### Organics / Compost

- Accepted fruit and vegetable scraps.
- Food leftovers and plate scrapings.
- Potted plants, cut flowers and wreaths can be composted without their pots or wire frames.
- Christmas trees can be put in a compost cart or set at the curb on regular collection day. Remove the tree stand or base.

***See the reverse for our Holiday Recycling Tip Sheet***

# Here are some common items we all use during the holidays, and throughout the year. Keep this handy "Tip Sheet" for future reference on where these items go all year!

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|  Ribbons and Bows | Reuse is best but **Trash/Landfill** if you must. |  Christmas Tree & Wreath | **Compost/Organics**. Recycle in compost cart (cut in pieces if large) or set at curb on regular collection day. Remove tree stand or base |
|  Broken Ornament | **Trash/Landfill**. |  Cardboard Box, Bubble Wrap & Peanuts | **Recycle** cardboard boxes (flatten to fit in cart) and Reuse bubble wrap, take to packaging store for reuse or |
|  String of Lights | **Trash/Landfill**. Some home improvement retailers collect for recycling. |  Foam & Packaging | **Trash/Landfill** if you must. |
|  Poinsettia | Potted plants, cut flowers and wreaths can be **Composted** without their pots, florist foam or wire frames. |  Loose Plastic Bags | **Trash/Landfill**. **Trash/Landfill** Must be bundled in bag all together. |
|  Pie Tin | **Recycle** after wiping clean. Put paper towel in **Compost/Organics**. |  Broken Dish or Glass | **Trash/Landfill**. |
|  Champagne Cork | **Compost/Organics** if real cork. Plastic corks are **Trash/Landfill**. |  Holiday Cards & Envelopes | **Recycle** all envelopes and paper-only cards (no glitter, foil or photos). |
|  Drumstick | **Compost/Organics** along with food scraps from meal prep and clean up. |  Gift Cards | **Trash/Landfill**. Plastic gift and credit cards are not recycled. |
|  Gift Box & Bag | **Reuse** is best but **Recycle** if beyond reuse. |  Batteries | Do not place in Trash/Landfill or recycling containers. Save for E-Waste Disposal. |
|  Wrapping Paper | Foil and cellophane wrap are **Trash/Landfill**. Paper wrap (no glitter) can be Recycled. |  Electronics | Do not place in Trash/Landfill or recycling containers. E-Waste Recycle only. |