

# RECYCLING TODAY

## *Recycling information for the Central Valley*

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### Sort it Out! Keep Contaminants out of Your Recycling Container

*Sort out all garbage from the recycling container and put it into your trash bin*

Recycling in the U.S. is decreasing. According to the EPA, the recycling rate nationwide is down to 34.4%. The translation: fewer people are recycling. Additionally, more garbage is getting into the recycling bin, causing contamination of the recycling and in some cases, making it impossible to recycle the materials. Here is a list of items that are frequently placed into the recycling can that are trash. **Do not put these items into the recycle container:**

- ◆ Clothing
- ◆ Coated paper containers (cups, ice cream containers, paper milk and juice cartons)
- ◆ Foam – any and all, including Styrofoam (these include take-out containers, cups, packing materials, etc.)
- ◆ Food Containers
- ◆ Food Scraps
- ◆ Hoses
- ◆ Household hazardous waste (batteries, fertilizers, household cleaning chemicals, nail polish, non-empty aerosol cans, paint, solvents, weed killers, etc.)
- ◆ Old Photographs
- ◆ Paper napkins, tissue and towels (too thin to recycle when clean, and cannot be recycled when dirty)
- ◆ Plastic bags
- ◆ Yard Waste

### *Tips for Keeping Trash out of Recycling*

- ◆ Separate the recycling from the trash at the source—inside your business! Have one container for recycling and one for trash.
- ◆ Keep plastic lids attached to aluminum cans and plastic containers
- ◆ Do not keep metal lids attached to glass containers.

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