



WasteStream

Reminders!

Avoid Charges for Overfilled Carts & Return Trips:

You can avoid extra refuse charges by making sure that your carts are placed at the curb before 6:00 AM on your scheduled service day. The lid must be securely closed. This helps prevent windblown litter and prevents the cart from spilling as it is emptied. A charge of \$8.50 to \$11.70 could be billed to your Utility account (depends on the size of the container and whether or not return service is on the same day as the regular service day) if you request that a driver return to empty a cart that was placed out late. Help us make this service as efficient as possible by remembering these simple things.

Leaf Season in Full Swing:

Redding residents may bring excess leaves to the Transfer Station free-of-charge during leaf season (November 1st through January 31st each year). This offer is for Redding residents only. You must bring a current City of Redding Utility bill and a photo I.D. to show proof of residency. Leaves only, please. No other greenwaste.

Use Caution When Disposing Hot Coals or Ashes!:

'Tis the season for emptying ashes from woodstoves. Hot ashes should never be put in your garbage cart. They will melt the cart and have been known to start house fires if stored too close to a structure. RFD recommends that hot ashes be stored in metal containers only. Thoroughly wet the ashes and allow to cool for 4 to 5 days. Place the cooled ashes in plastic bags before disposing so they don't blow out of the cart when it is emptied.

Need more info.?



City of Redding
Solid Waste Utility
2255 Abernathy Ln.
P.O. Box 496071
Redding CA 96049-6071

Office Hours: M-F, 8 am to 4:30 pm
Transfer Stn.: M-Sat, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Customer Service 224-6201
Household Hazardous Waste 224-6209

Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving: November 23rd & 24th
Thurs & Fri. routes one day late
Christmas: Dec. 25th
All routes one day late this week
New Year's Day: Jan. 1st
All routes one day late this week

This Holiday: Do Less

When it comes to recycling and waste reduction, less IS more. Take the opportunity this holiday season to think about how your gift giving decisions impact our environment. There are so many great ideas for waste reduction during the holidays. Be creative, use your talents, make a lasting impact. Below are some not so run-of-the-mill gift ideas:



Focus on non-gift ideas: Take the opportunity to spend time with a loved one, joining them in their favorite activity (golf, gardening, watching a movie, playing cards, taking a walk, etc.) Many of our loved ones, especially the elderly, will cherish the gift of your time much more than anything you could buy.

Give gift certificates for activities: Buy a movie lover a packet of movie tickets or DVD rental coupons. Buy theatre tickets or tickets to a sporting event or concert. Buy a golfer a round of golf. How about yoga lessons for the busy mom who would love to take lessons but rarely buys anything for herself?

Make a donation or offer your services: Give a gift that serves a purpose. Make a donation to an animal shelter in the name of the animal lover in your family. Volunteer your services at a friend's favorite charitable organization or event. Kids can participate, too. Who wouldn't love to have a coupon for babysitting from their favorite niece or nephew?

Recycle Christmas Trees

Christmas trees can be recycled at the curb, in your greenwaste cart or at the Transfer Station. Remember to remove all ornaments, lights, tinsel and stands. Flocked trees can't be recycled and must be disposed of as trash.

At the curb: Beginning December 26th, you can recycle your Christmas tree by cutting it into segments no longer than 3.5 feet and setting it at the curb next to your waste carts.

In Your Greenwaste Carts: Trees can be placed in the greenwaste carts if cut into short segments that fit loosely in the cart. Lids must be completely closed when the cart is placed at the curb.



At the Transfer Station: Bring trees to the Transfer Station on Abernathy Lane throughout the month of January. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Disposing of Asbestos Safely

We are often asked if asbestos can be disposed of at the City of Redding's Solid Waste Transfer Station or at the West Central Landfill. Asbestos is a known carcinogen. The answer is not a simple 'yes' or 'no.' It is important to understand that there are two types of asbestos: Friable and Non-Friable. Friable asbestos is extremely hazardous and fragile. The asbestos fibers can be released simply by crumbling or slight pressure. It is often seen as a spray-on insulation or pipe insulation, but can be in other forms. This type of asbestos can only be disposed of at specially permitted hazardous waste landfills and should only be handled by a licensed professional. It is **not** accepted at any City of Redding facility.

Non-friable asbestos is more stable and is usually mixed with a bonding agent that minimizes the risk of the particles becoming airborne. It is commonly found in shingles, joint compound, vinyl floor tiles and even in some concrete products. This can be disposed of at the West Central Landfill only, but requires prior approval from the Landfill Supervisor and is considered on a case-by-case basis. Call the West Central Landfill if you need assistance: 396-2555.

5th Annual Coats for Kids Drive: November 15th - December 15th

The City of Redding's Solid Waste Utility and Fire Department have teamed up for the past 5 years to conduct an annual coat drive to benefit Shasta County families in need. The program has been so successful in past years that the Good News Rescue Mission actually has an over abundance of coats - particularly adult sizes. For this reason, the focus of the collection program is changing slightly to meet the community's needs.

The collection program this year will focus on two things: curbside collection of blankets, towels and *children's* coats **and** drop-off locations for non-perishable food donations.

City of Redding residents can donate children's coats, blankets and towels at the curb by placing the items in a plastic bag clearly labeled 'Coats for Kids' and placing it on top of their blue recycling cart for collection.

Food items can be taken to the drop-off locations at all City Fire Stations (except Station #7 at the Redding airport). A drop-off bin for food donations will also be placed in the main lobby at City Hall and at the Transfer Station Ad-

ministration building on Abernathy Lane.

"We want to help provide for the needs of our community - whether that means coats, blankets, or food. We're happy to help fill that need," said Solid Waste Supervisor, Bonnie Low.

The donation program will be conducted from November 15th to December 15th. The Solid Waste Utility would like to stress that food donations can not be picked up at the curb but, rather, must go to the drop-off locations.

Ideas for food donations include; canned foods, boxed foods such as cereal, pasta, quick bread mixes and crackers, and dried beans, grains and rice.



Clip & Save Solid Waste Utility Holiday Schedule - 2007

The following holidays will have garbage, recycling and yard waste collection as follows:

New Year's Day - Jan. 1, 2007
All routes ONE day late.

Martin L. King Jr. - Jan. 15, 2007
All routes ONE day late.

Lincoln's Birthday - Feb. 12, 2007
No change.

President's Day - Feb. 19, 2007
All routes ONE day late.

Memorial Day - May 28, 2007
All routes ONE day late.

Christmas Day - Dec. 25, 2007 Tues - Friday routes ONE day late.

Independence Day - July 4, 2007
Wed/Thurs/Fri routes one day late

Labor Day - September 3, 2007
All routes ONE day late.

Columbus Day - October 8, 2007
NO CHANGE

Veteran's Day - November 11, 2007
NO CHANGE

Thanksgiving Day - Nov. 22, 2007
Thurs/Fri routes one day late

The West Central Landfill & City of Redding Transfer Station will be **closed** on the following dates:

New Year's Day - Jan. 1, 2007

Martin Luther King Day - Jan 15, 2007

President's Day - Feb. 19, 2007

Memorial Day - May 28, 2007

Independence Day - July 4, 2007

Labor Day - September 3, 2007

Thanksgiving Day - Nov. 22, 2007

Christmas Eve - Dec. 24 (closed at noon)

Christmas Day - December 25, 2007