

Vallejo Views

A Fair Deal

It has only been a few months since Solano County Fairgrounds started its commercial recycling program, but already they are noticing the benefits.

“We serve the public,” explains General Manager Joe Barkett, “so we take a ‘good citizen’ approach with all our activities. The people who visit us appreciate that we are acting responsibly by recycling. It is such a small amount of effort for such a great reward.”

Joe has been impressed with the reaction of his staff as they implemented the Fair’s recycling program. They instantly took to the program, and the amount of trash generated dropped immediately.

“It is still too early for detailed information,” explains Joe, “but we are seeing our trash volume drop by at least a third right out of the gate.”

In Vallejo, cutting trash volume also means reducing the cost of garbage service. Fortunately, **VGS** has a dedicated staff ready to help any commercial customer implement an

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Get Ready for E-Waste and Tire Recycling Day!



Crews from last year's E-Waste and Tire Recycling Day unload materials from customers' cars. This year's event will be held at **Vallejo Garbage Service** on Saturday, April 21.

Tire Recycling Day on Saturday, April 21, from 8 AM until 3 PM. Commercial and residential customers may bring an unlimited amount of common electronic office equipment including computer monitors and television screens with cathode ray tubes to the 2021 Broadway location for disposal. Up to 10 used tires may also be dropped off at the event. There is no charge to bring materials to the E-Waste and Tire event.

"This is an important day for all of our customers," explains **Vallejo Garbage Service** General Manager Peter Friesen. "It is especially important to our business customers who have upgraded their office equipment and computer systems. You can bring your obsolete equipment to us for no charge. This is the fifth event we have hosted so we make sure the process is efficient."

A large number of local volunteers and employees from the City of Vallejo will greet customers at the gate. They will collect vital information before customers enter the disposal area. Customers

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"Many businesses in Vallejo plan their annual cleaning around the E-Waste Recycling event," said Friesen. "This service offers an easy way to deal with items that are difficult and expensive to dispose of."

After collection the equipment is broken down for recycling. The glass goes to a recycling facility. Eight to ten pounds of lead are recovered from each of the televisions and monitors. The plastic goes to a plastic recycler, and the precious metals in the devices are also recovered. All of the materials remain in California.

Used tires will also be collected on this day from residential and commercial customers. There is a limit of ten tires per customer. Crews from **VGS** will empty the tires from your vehicle.

Extensive Service Improvements

VGS is underway implementing extensive service improvements for customers. Call our hotline at 551-2628 or click on our website at www.vallejogarbage.com for details of these changes.

Call and Save!

Many commercial customers are seeing an immediate savings on their garbage bill after implementing commercial recycling programs. Removing recyclable materials from the trash is an easy way for every commercial customer to save on their garbage bill. Why pay to dispose of materials in your trash when you can recycle them for free? The collection of recyclable materials is at no additional cost. Call us at 552-3110 to get all the information you need to get started.

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