

# LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENTAL RECYCLING PROGRAM Newsletter

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## Roadmap to a Sustainable Waste Management Future

### New Facility Ancillary Services Master Agreement (FASMA) for waste Hauling

Los Angeles County facilities can now request to subscribe to source-separated food waste, green waste, and recyclables collection services through the Internal Services Department arranged by the new FASMA. Recycling reduces landfill disposal and lowers emissions of harmful greenhouse gases that cause climate change. Recycled waste can be used to create new products, clean energy, renewable fuel, compost or other soil amendments. The new waste collection services are available at an additional monthly cost. To learn more about implementing new recycling programs at County facilities, please contact Kawsar Vazifdar of LA County Public Works, Environmental Programs Division at (626) 458-3514 or [kvazifdar@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:kvazifdar@dpw.lacounty.gov).



### Paper and Carboard Recycling

In 2008, Los Angeles County adopted a Board Motion which directs County departments to purchase paper with at least 30 percent recycled content, implement paper and beverage recycling services, and establish paper collection agreements. Work with your department's procurement staff or contact Internal Services Department at (323) 267-2205 to administer paper and carboard services.

#### Paper recycling tips:

- Reuse both sides of your paper as scratch paper.
- Remove paper clips, binder clips, and tape.
- Set printer for double-sided printing.

#### Cardboard recycling tips:

- Reuse your cardboard. If it cannot be reused, break it down and put it in the cardboard recycling bin.
- Remove any attachments, such as tape.
- Do not recycle food contaminated cardboard.



If you need assistance on starting the service, please email the Departmental Recycling Coordinator at [cdrp@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:cdrp@dpw.lacounty.gov). To read on other specific policies that the County has adopted to recycle and reduce waste, please visit <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/epd/drp/countypolicy.cfm>.

## Maximizing your Office Sustainability

#### At your desk:

- Keep a recycling bin nearby.
- Use both sides of your papers.
- Print only when necessary.



#### In the break room:

- Practice "Bring Your Own."
- Freeze or refrigerate leftovers.

#### With co-workers:

- Have a swap day and exchange unused items.
- Encourage waste prevention.
- Brainstorm ways to reduce waste.

#### Meetings:

- Give paperless presentations.
- Provide reusable dishware if you are hosting.
- Share leftovers with co-workers.

#### Travel

- Carpool with others to reduce pollution.
- Hold more video conference meetings instead of traveling.
- Select a hotel that practices sustainability.

#### Consider purchasing:

- Recycled items.
- Energy efficient appliances.
- Items from locally-sourced businesses.

