

CMSD'S CURBSIDE COLLECTION SYSTEM IS CHANGING!



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Beginning in Fall 2024, Costa Mesa Sanitary District (CMSD) will be implementing a residential three-cart curbside collection system that separates landfill, recyclable and organic materials. The new color-coded cart system will consist of:

- One Landfill Cart (Black)
- One Recycling Cart (Blue)
- Up to Two Organics Carts (Green)

Why is the collection system changing?

As part of California's efforts to combat climate change, the State recently enacted Senate Bill (SB) 1383 — which requires all jurisdictions with a two-cart system to transition to a threecart system if their waste is not processed at a high diversion facility. In addition to meeting State regulations, this new system is customer friendly, increases diversion from landfills, promotes source separation and supports CMSD's commitment to sustainability.

CMSD is working towards ambitious diversion goals. This new three-cart system, along with the partnership of our community, is critical in meeting those targets.



Currently, 39% of all waste within CMSD's service area is sent to the landfill. With the new three-cart system, CMSD aims to reduce this to 25%.

What does this mean for you?

With this new system, one of the existing Mixed Waste Carts will be exchanged for a new **Recycling Cart (Blue)** to dispose of recyclables such as clean paper, cardboard, glass and plastic. The second Mixed Waste Cart will become a **Trash Cart (Black)** used for landfill waste. Customers will continue to use their **Organics Cart (Green)** for food scraps and yard trimmings.

Learn more about the three-cart system: cmsdca.gov/3carts



