

Holiday Recycling Solutions



The holiday season is rapidly approaching, so this is the perfect time to think about recycling your Christmas tree. Just cut your tree in half and stack it next to the green yardwaste Toter® between December 26 and January 2. During other times, cut the trees to fit inside the yardwaste Toter®. Trees may also be cut and bundled with twine and placed beside your green Toter®. Never use wire or other material to tie bundles.

Trees sent for recycling must be free of tinsel, flocking, ornaments, and tree stand. Trees with these materials may be cut up and placed in your gray trash Toter® for collection.

Cardboard Box Recycling

Large corrugated cardboard boxes are accepted at the **DSS** Recycling Buy-Back Center at the corner of First

and C Streets in Dixon which is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 AM until 3 PM. Boxes may also be flattened and placed in the blue recyclables Toter® for collection.

We're Here for You!



Driving a street-sweeper every day through busy residential streets demands a special talent from the operator. Charlie Polslethwait has only been on the job for 4 months, but he comes to **DSS** ready for the challenge. He has extensive experience on big rigs, fire trucks and even motorcycle drag racing. "This job is important," explains Charlie. "We sweep a tremendous amount of trash off the streets every day." Charlie approaches his new job with a great deal of company pride. This dedication to service helped him fit in quickly with the Dixon community. "The Dixon residents are so nice," said Charlie. "This is a growing community but it still has a great small town feel." Charlie lives in Fairfield with his wife Cindy and their children Anthony, Miles and Tylor.

Trash Talk

Convenient Recycling Options

Curbside recycling is convenient and easy, but sometimes residents have special items they need to recycle. Fortunately, the **Dixon Recycling and Buy-Back Center** hosts a variety of options for residents. This center is located at the corner of

First and C streets. It is open from Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM, to receive common recyclable items including oil filters; cooking oil; scrap glass; tin food cans; corrugated cardboard; newspaper; mixed paper and shredded paper; and plastic items such as milk jugs and household batteries. The Center pays various amounts for recyclable materials such as aluminum cans; glass (sorted by color); motor oil, and some plastics.



Recycling is easy in Dixon. In addition to weekly curbside service, the Dixon Recycling and Buy-Back Center accepts a host of materials. Dixon residents can also bring items to the Recycling Facility in Vacaville.

The **Electronic Waste Recycling Center** in Dixon is located within the Recycling Buy-Back Center. The **Electronic Waste Recycling Center** is open on Saturdays only, from 9 AM until 3 PM. Drop off television sets, computer monitors, fax machines, laptops, radios, scanners, mouse/keyboards, microwave ovens, cell phones, hair dryers, clocks, VCRs, printers and computers. There is a limit of 2 items per customer. Residents must

lift and deposit all items on their own.

Holiday Schedule

There will be no change in the collection schedule for Thanksgiving. Refuse collections will be made as usual on Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 26.

Christmas and New Year's Day both fall on Friday this year. All Friday collections during these holiday weeks will shift to Saturday.

The Hay Road Landfill and the Recycling Facility in Vacaville will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Holiday schedule information is available at www.dixonsanitary.com.

Rate Increase

Please note that collection rates will increase 4.4 % on January 1, 2010, for residential and commercial customers. This adjustment will result in the base residential rate increasing from \$23.94 to \$24.95 per month.

Residential Street Sweeping Schedule

Dixon streets are swept every other week during the weeks printed with **green ink**. For information call 678-4026.

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Blue for Recyclables

The blue Toter® is used for recyclables. The recycling program is easy and convenient, but you should know what materials can be recycled. Placing only the proper materials out for collection helps keep the cost of this service low. Materials that can be recycled are determined by the recycling company that purchases the materials. Check the list below for accepted and unaccepted items.

Following is a list of acceptable and *unacceptable* materials for the blue recyclables Toter®:

Tin and Aluminum Cans

You do not need to remove labels or crush cans.

Aluminum cans (soda and beer cans); tin cans (soup, pet food, canned vegetable and meat products, and other foods).

NO: Aluminum foil, food trays or pans, scrap metal, coat hangers, spray cans (e.g. hair spray or paint), or propane tanks.

Glass Bottles and Jars

Remove lids and throw them away.

Glass bottles (from juice, soda, wine and liquor—clear, green, and brown—CRV and non-CRV); glass jars (from spaghetti sauce, apple sauce, and other food items).

NO: Mirrors, light bulbs, ceramic, window panes, dishware, drinking glasses or mugs, and vases.

#1 - #7 Narrow-neck Plastic Bottles and Jugs

Remove the lids from the bottles and throw them away. You do not need to remove the labels. Look on the bottom of the bottle for the #1 - #7 recycling symbol.

Plastic bottles and jugs (from soda, juice, milk, bottled water, or other household products).

NO: Plastic bags, tubs such as yogurt and margarine containers, food trays or deli containers, Styrofoam, plant trays or pots, irrigation pipe, small plastic furniture, and plastic toys.

Newspapers, Magazines and Chipboard
Junk mail; newspapers (includes inserts); office paper; magazines (includes glossy publications); chipboard (boxes from cereal, shoes, crackers, or gifts); brown paper bags; paperboard egg cartons (not Styrofoam); corrugated cardboard (cardboard with ridges typically used for heavy-duty boxes). Please flatten cardboard or cut to fit inside Toter®.

NO: Adhesive-backed paper, carbon paper, photographs, facial or toilet tissues, books, plastic or foil lining from cereal or cracker boxes, paper contaminated by food, and thermal fax paper.

Green for Yardwaste

Your green Toter® is used for yardwaste. Leaves, grass clippings, weeds, vegetables, bread, fruit, and tree or shrub prunings should be placed in the green Toter®. Cut tree and shrub prunings small enough to fit inside. Lids must be closed. Extra tree and shrub prunings may be bundled (2' x 3') with twine (please, no wire), then placed next to the green Toter®.

Extra green Toters® are available for an additional charge. Extra 32-gallon cans owned

by customers may be used for yardwaste only. The yardwaste containers must be sturdy and must have handles and lids. Your green Toter® must be set out in order to put out extra cans of yardwaste. There is no extra charge for this service.

Yardwaste is not landfilled but instead is used in a number of recycling processes, including composting at local facilities.

Do not put the following in your green yardwaste Toter®:

Plastic or paper bags, hazardous waste, animal feces, lumber, dirt or rocks.

Gray for Garbage

The gray Toter® is used for garbage that cannot be recycled. **Personal cans or bags outside the Toter® will not be collected.** Extra gray Toters® are available for an additional charge.

Generally, food waste products must be placed in covered containers. Plastic bags may be used in gray Toters®. Loose ash, sawdust, animal waste, and packing peanuts must be secured in bags and then placed into your gray Toter®.

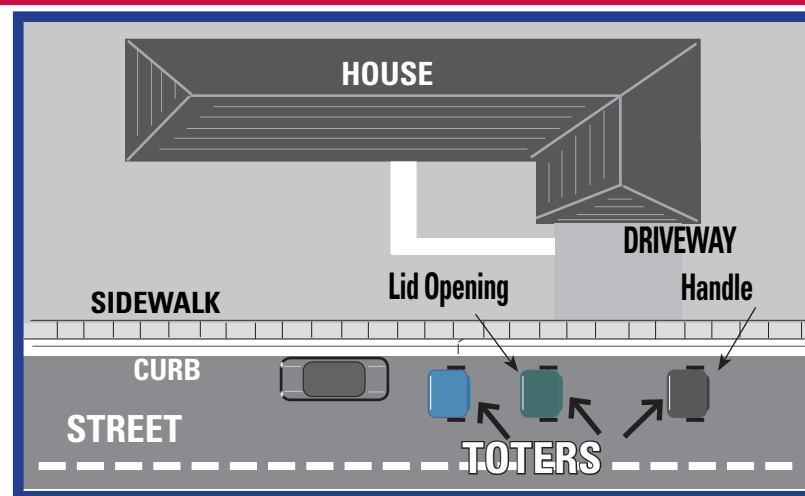
Items such as dirt, rocks,

cement, wood, furniture, and large items that require special handling will not be picked up if they are placed in your Toter®. Call for disposal instructions and information on additional charges for this extra service.

It is illegal to dispose of hypodermic needles, syringes or lancets in the trash. Place these items in an FDA-approved plastic container, and bring the container to the Vacaville Recycling Facility, 855 1/2 Davis Street in Vacaville *on Saturdays only* between 9 AM and 3 PM.

No Plastic Bags

Plastic bags must never be placed in the green yardwaste or blue recyclables Toter®. Plastic bags should be returned to the store or placed in the gray trash Toter®. Only leaves, grass clippings, weeds, vegetables, bread, fruit, and tree or shrub prunings may go inside the green Toter®. No other materials may go inside your green Toter®.



- Toters® should be placed out sideways with right wheel nearest the curb. The handle should be on your left as you face the street with the lid opening towards the right.
- Don't block the sidewalk.
- Don't park cars within 3 feet of Toters®.
- Place Toters® 3 feet apart.
- Put Toters® out by 6:00 AM on your pickup day.
- Remove Toters® from curb as soon as possible after pickup and place them out of view from the street.
- Call Dixon Sanitary Service at 678-4026 if you have questions.

Congratulations Dixon!

Do you ever wonder what type of impact recycling is making in Dixon? **DSS** collected over 2 thousand tons of recyclables between April of 2007 and August of 2009. That is roughly equal to 4,000 standard pick-up trucks full of materials that were re-used and diverted from the landfill. Great job Dixon!

Phone Book Recycling

New phone books will be distributed in October. Old phone books may be placed in your blue recyclables Toter® on your normally scheduled collection day. Phone books may also be dropped off at the **Dixon Sanitary Service** Recycling Buy-Back Center at the corner of First and C streets. The center is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 AM until 3 PM.

Keep Storm Drains Clean

Please refrain from raking leaves into the street and properly contain leaves for recycling or debris for disposal. Only water should go in the storm drain system. For more information call 1-800-CLEANUP.

