

# Santa's Helpers and Important Tips



(Left) Employees of **DSS** who helped Santa deliver presents stand with the Garcia family that included Fernando (age 5), Rigoberto, and Delia holding Ricardo (age 2).



Cut-up Christmas trees may be placed inside the green Toter® if they are not flocked and all tinsel, ornaments, and stands are removed. Trees with flocking or any of these other materials may be cut up and placed in your gray trash Toter®.

## Easy Recycling

There is a convenient recycling Buy-Back Center that will assist you with your common recycling needs. The Dixon Recycling Facility is located at the corner of First and C streets. Call 678-4026 or click on [www.dixonsanitary.com](http://www.dixonsanitary.com) for information.

The **Recycling Center** is open from Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM, to receive common recyclable items including motor oil and filters. The Center pays various amounts for recyclable materials such as aluminum; glass (sorted by color); motor oil, and some plastics. Other plastic items such as milk jugs are accepted for donation only (you will not be paid for them).

Other materials accepted for donation are scrap glass; tin food cans; oil filters; corrugated cardboard; newspaper; mixed paper and shredded paper.

The **Electronic Waste Recycling Center** in Dixon is located within the Recycling Facility. 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.

## Keep Storm Drains Clean

Please avoid the temptation to rake leaves into the street. Leaves can easily clog up the storm drain system in Dixon, and they also risk bringing contaminants into the storm water. Please properly contain leaves for recycling in your green recycling Toter®. Place all other debris in your gray Toter® for disposal. Only water should go in the storm drain system. For more information call 1-800-CLEANUP.



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# Giving Back



(Left) The procession of decorated trucks make their way down the road on their way to the Garcia house in Dixon. **DSS** drivers and Santa himself surprised the Garcia family with gifts and a lighted Christmas tree.

(Below) Santa and his helpers unload a new bicycle and other gifts for the Garcia family. **DSS** drivers and maintenance crew donated the money to purchase the gifts that brightened the holiday for the Garcia family.

The Garcia family enjoyed a surprise visit from Santa and his helpers thanks to the drivers from **Dixon Sanitary Service**. The drivers contacted Dixon Family Services and were put in touch with the Garcia family who was facing a bleak Christmas this year. Drivers then took up donations amongst themselves to purchase a tree and presents for each family member.

Drivers in a procession of trucks visited the Garcia family with Santa and his many helpers.

Office employees also extended the good will spirit of the holidays as they prepared gifts for Sgt. Anthony Jimenez and his platoon that is stationed in Afghanistan. Sgt. Jimenez was "adopted" by the office staff earlier in the year by contacting [soldiersangels.org](http://soldiersangels.org). The staff has been sending regular letters and

(Right) Gifts are prepared for mailing to an Army Sergeant and his fellow soldiers. The platoon is being supported with gifts, supplies and encouraging letters from the office staff.



much needed supplies to Sgt. Jimenez and his fellow soldiers.

"I am so proud of our employees," said **DSS** General Manager, Ed Farewell. "These acts of generosity were entirely our employees doing. The impact they have made on others is truly touching for us all."



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## What can and cannot be recycled?



Plastic bags must not be placed into the blue recycling Toters® or the green yard-waste Toters®.

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, ceramics, 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.

**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.

## We're Here for You!

After 21 years with **Dixon Sanitary Service**, Randy Rositano views himself as an important protector of the environment.

"Trash will always be with us," Randy explains, "and it is up to us to provide safe ways to dispose of garbage and transport recyclables. I like the feeling of accomplishment as we work to protect the environment."

Randy currently drives a large roll-off truck that services commercial customers. He worked various warehouse and delivery jobs before coming to work for **DSS**.

"It is great to be out working and not cooped up in an office," said Randy. "I

enjoy meeting new people and helping customers. We do whatever it takes to get the job done, and I just want people to know that we are here to help."

Randy grew up in Vacaville. His family settled there "when all the roads were still dirt." He now lives there with his wife Kerri, daughters Jordan (age 8), Taylor (age 17), and sons Chris (age 24) and Mike (age 26). The family enjoys spending time together camping and riding in the sand dunes.



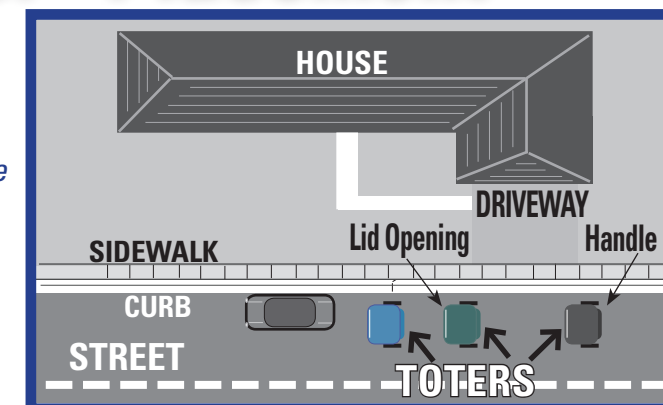
**Randy Rositano**

## Dixon Guide to Proper Toter® Placement

To help prevent empty Toters® from falling across and blocking sidewalks after they are emptied, please follow the new Toter® placement procedure.

Place your Toters® out sideways in the street three feet from each other and three feet away from cars or other objects. As you face the street, place the handle to your left with the right-hand side of the Toters® parallel to the curb. Your Toters® will now open on the right-hand side.

You may place Toters® on either side of your driveway.



- 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.

