

# ZERO WASTE

Santa Cruz County  
GreenWaste Recovery

## News

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Single-Family Residence Customers

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## EARTH DAY SANTA CRUZ 2019

Saturday, April 20th, 11 AM-4 PM in San Lorenzo Park

Earth Day Santa Cruz offers educational information, activities for kids including an arts and crafts tent, live music and a focus on green businesses. Come to San Lorenzo Park and enjoy this fun environmental celebration for the whole family!

[www.scearthday.org](http://www.scearthday.org)



## STOP WASTE BEFORE IT STARTS - FREE REUSABLE CUPS

Last year, the average American used 167 disposable water bottles, but only recycled 38. 50 billion paper coffee cups are thrown away in the USA every year; how many did you toss out? Do your part to reduce waste by always bringing your own reusable cup or bottle. Don't have one? Pick yours up for free at the County's booth at this year's Earth Day celebration, Saturday, April 20, in San Lorenzo Park.



## MAKE YOUR SPECIAL EVENT ZERO WASTE!

Planning a special event for 2019? Make it a zero waste event! If food is served or sold, this must include separate collection of compostable materials. All cups, plates, utensils and other food service items must be recycled or composted. Contact GreenWaste at (831) 426-2711 or [santacruzcs@greenwaste.com](mailto:santacruzcs@greenwaste.com) to arrange for service for your event. Need to find compostable food service ware? Coast Paper & Supply in Santa Cruz is a great source. [www.coastpapersupplyinc.com](http://www.coastpapersupplyinc.com)



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We at GreenWaste "Think Differently" and appreciate your suggestions and comments. Please call us today and let us know how we are doing at (800) 665-2209 or (831) 426-2711, or visit us on the web at [www.greenwaste.com](http://www.greenwaste.com)



# GET SMART: Take the Challenge Keep Good Food From Going to Waste



Did you know that Americans throw away 35 million tons of food every year? Research shows that nearly everyone wastes more than they think they do.

Take the **Food: Too Good to Waste** Challenge to help you figure out how much food is really going to waste in your home and how to waste less. By making small shifts in how you shop for, prepare, and store food, you can save time and money, and keep the valuable resources used to produce and distribute food from going to waste!

Learn more at [www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food](http://www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food)



## FREE PICKUP OF LARGE BULKY ITEMS!

Time to get rid of that old sofa or refrigerator? GreenWaste subscribers can call up to three times a year for free pickup of large items! To schedule collection contact GreenWaste customer service at (831) 426-2711 or [santacruzcs@greenwaste.com](mailto:santacruzcs@greenwaste.com).

## KEEP IT GREEN!

The leaves and lawn clippings you put into your green bin are turned into mulch and compost and returned to the earth. But there's one problem: Plastic! Please don't bag your green waste; plastic should never go in the yard waste cart.



## FREE COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS SPRING 2019

Learn how to compost kitchen and yard waste in your back yard from Certified Master Composters! Upon completion of the workshop, GreenWaste customers are offered a free backyard composting bin or worm bin. Non-customers may purchase a bin at cost.

### April 20, Saturday

11:30 AM - 1 PM  
1 - 2:30 PM  
2:30 - 4 PM  
Earth Day Celebration,  
San Lorenzo Park,  
Santa Cruz

### May 11, Saturday

10 AM - 12 Noon  
Live Oak Grange,  
Santa Cruz

### May 26, Sunday

2-4 PM  
Quail Hollow Ranch  
County Park, Felton

### June 9, Sunday

2-4 PM  
Pinto Lake County Park,  
Watsonville

### June 16, Sunday

2-4 PM  
Live Oak Grange,  
Santa Cruz

Space is limited; advance reservation required. See web site for more classes. Sign up online at [goo.gl/Fw6BaK](http://goo.gl/Fw6BaK) or call (831) 824-6484. After submitting your request, you will be notified if you are accepted in the workshop.

