

# ZEROWASTE

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GreenWaste Recovery

## News

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Multi-Family Residence Customers

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## CELEBRATE THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF EARTH DAY IN SANTA CRUZ

Saturday, April 18th, 11 AM–4 PM in San Lorenzo Park

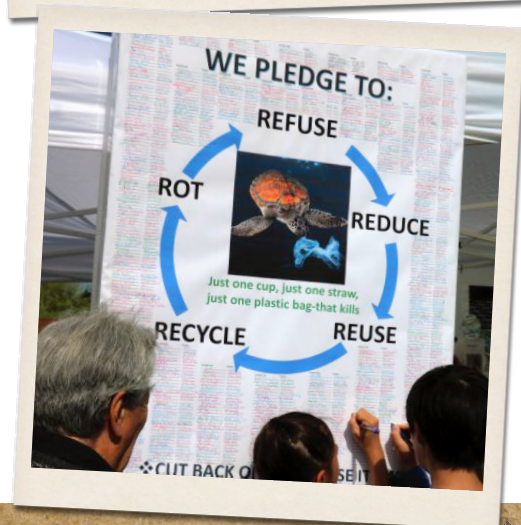
Come and enjoy this fun, environmental celebration for the whole family. The 50th Anniversary for Earth Day will be an amazing, free event!

Highlights of the day include:

- Recycling, Reuse, Repurpose, Composting 101 and an array of DIY workshops throughout the day
- Eco-marketplace with over 100 exhibitors and a focus on climate action education and solution, health and wellness and sustainable lifestyle choices
- Make your Climate Action Pledge! Muralist, Taylor Reinhold, from Made Fresh Crew will turn our pledges into a movable community mural
- Keynote Speaker: Mayor Justin Cummings plus notable Environmental Speakers sponsored by VEGFEST
- Youth hands-on activities with the Santa Cruz Museum of Discovery
- Electrification Zone: Electric Vehicle Showcase plus test drives
- Live music with world renowned SambaDa
- Recycling fashion show
- AND MUCH MORE!!

The event is organized by the County of Santa Cruz, City of Santa Cruz, Ecology Action and the UCSC Office of Sustainability. Follow us: [www.scearthday.org](http://www.scearthday.org)

**BYOE - BRING YOUR OWN EVERYTHING!**  
**CUP, WATER BOTTLE, UTENSILS, CLOTH NAPKIN, AND BAG**



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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)





# County Battles Litter and Pollution

Santa Cruz County, along with some local cities, have taken further steps to address problems with litter, waste and pollution. One of the largest sources of litter and pollution in our county is from single use cups. There are an estimated 50 million disposable cups we use every year for a few minutes and then throw away. Most cannot be recycled, and far too many end up as litter on our streets and beaches.

The County is using a strategy that was very effective with disposable bags, adding a charge for disposable cups to help remind everyone to bring their own. As of July 1, 2020, all single-use disposable cups will cost an additional 25 cents over the cost of the beverage. All funds collected stay with the business, although the County is exploring the possibility of allocating some of these funds for litter cleanup and prevention. Remember to bring your own cup or water bottle!



## HOLIDAY REMINDER

GreenWaste will provide regular collection services on the following holidays:

**Memorial Day** Monday, May 25, 2020 🗓️ **Independence Day** Saturday, July 4, 2020

Please set out your carts on your regular collection day by 6:00 AM.

## NEW STATE LAW REQUIRES RECYCLING AND COMPOST BINS IN BUSINESSES AND APARTMENT COMPLEXES

AB 827 requires that by July 1, 2020, all multi-family properties and apartment complexes of 5 units or more must offer convenient recycling receptacles next to the trash throughout the property and multi-purpose rooms for their tenants' use.

What you need to know:

- Recycling bins/containers should be placed adjacent to all trash bins/reciprocals for convenient access (except in rest rooms),
- Clear signage to inform tenants of what goes where is essential (CalRecycle will be offering model signage),
- Property manager/owner must ensure that all material goes in the proper bins and contamination is minimized, and
- Space constraints are not a reason for an exception. Small recycling and compost bins are widely available.

Full text of the new law is available at: [www.leginfo.legislature.ca.gov](http://www.leginfo.legislature.ca.gov)

