

# The Recycler

Fall 2020



## Holiday Collection Schedule

**C**hristmas Day and New Year's Day fall on **FRIDAY** this year.

For these two days only, collection services will be rescheduled so that our employees may spend the holidays with their families. **This change ONLY affects customers who usually receive service on FRIDAY.**

Friday customers will have collection services on Saturday, December 26, and Saturday, January 2, instead of on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Notice of this change will also be sent by mail. There is no change for customers who usually have collection service on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Regular Friday collection resumes on January 8.

### South San Francisco Scavenger Co. Holiday Schedule

- ◆ **Thanksgiving Day,** THURSDAY, November 26, office open 7 am - 12 noon, normal collection service
- ◆ **Christmas Eve,** THURSDAY, December 24, office open 7 am - 12 noon, normal collection service
- ◆ **Christmas Day,** FRIDAY, December 25, office closed, **NO** collection service
- ◆ **New Year's Eve,** THURSDAY, December 31, office open 7 am - 12 noon, normal collection service
- ◆ **New Year's Day,** FRIDAY, January 1, office closed, **NO** collection service

### Blue Line Transfer, Inc. Holiday Schedule

- ◆ **Thanksgiving Day,** THURSDAY, November 26, open from 6 am - 12 noon
- ◆ **Christmas Eve,** THURSDAY, December 24, open from 6 am - 12 noon
- ◆ **Christmas Day,** FRIDAY, December 25, closed
- ◆ **New Year's Eve,** THURSDAY, December 31, open from 6 am - 12 noon
- ◆ **New Year's Day,** FRIDAY, January 1, closed

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## Enhancement Project Underway at Blue Line Transfer



The Material Recovery Facility inside Blue Line Transfer is undergoing exciting improvements. New features include optical sorting machines and robotic technology. These improvements are essential and will help surrounding communities to reach the landfill reduction goals set by the State of California. For project details, follow us on Facebook or Instagram [@ssfsavenger](https://www.instagram.com/ssfsavenger).

## Annual Food Drive Changes Due to Pandemic

South San Francisco Scavenger Company, Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, and the Young Men's Institute have sponsored an annual food drive for the past 29 years. This year, due to the pandemic, we are asking for monetary donations that will go toward the purchase of gift cards. These will be distributed to local families who are in need this holiday season. Please consider giving if you are able. You can find our gofundme page here: <https://gf.me/u/yx6f6d>

## Plan Ahead to Prevent Holiday Waste!

More waste is created between Thanksgiving and New Year's than any other time of year. You can do your part to reduce unnecessary waste by planning ahead. Follow these tips:

1. Send electronic greetings. Or, if you enjoy sending traditional cards, make sure they are made from recycled content and can be recycled again.
2. Shop locally to avoid the excess packaging used by online retailers. Remember to bring reusable shopping bags.
3. Give gifts that are durable or consumable and won't end up in the landfill.
4. Avoid single-use gift wrap, bags and ribbon—especially those that are not recyclable. Choose reusable alternatives.
5. Set your holiday table with reusable plates, cups, napkins and silverware.



# Please Recycle Your Christmas Tree

- Remove the stand and all decorations including lights and tinsel.
- Cut tree in half if it is over 6 feet.
- Place tree at the curb by 5 a.m. on your regular collection day.
- Do not bag your tree.

A special truck may be used to collect trees in your neighborhood. This truck can arrive earlier or later than our regular trucks. Note that flocked and artificial trees cannot be recycled and will be collected by the regular garbage route.



## Deep Frying a Turkey?

Let the cooking oil cool, pour into one gallon jugs, and bring to Blue Line Transfer. Fees apply and there is a 10-gallon limit. Small amounts of solidified fat, oil and grease can be scrapped into your green organics cart. We recommend wrapping in newspaper or a paper towel first.

### Invite your Organics cart to this year's holiday feasts!

Your green cart is hungry for corn cobs, soggy yams and potato peels. It even craves turkey bones and dried out stuffing.



Please feed food scraps directly to your cart. Liner bags are not allowed.



## Seasonal Overflow?

Please do not overload any of your carts. Make sure the lids fully close and materials are not too tightly wedged inside. This will help prevent litter and ensure your carts are completely emptied.

If you have overflow, follow the instructions below.

### Extra Garbage

Overflow garbage can be bagged, set next to your garbage cart, and collected on your regular collection day. Please contact us at 650.589.4020 at least one business day in advance. You can choose to use an On-Call Cleanup or pay the extra bag fee.

### Extra Recycling

Overflow recyclables can be collected curbside for no charge. Place clean, dry paper and empty containers (aluminum/metal, glass and plastic bottles, jars, cans, tubs) in separate paper bags and leave next to your recycling cart on your regular collection day. Remember that cardboard boxes should be flattened, bundled, and left beside your recycling cart as well.

Please scrape & rinse each recyclable container!



## Resource Information

### South San Francisco Scavenger Co.

- ◆ **Curbside Collection Service**  
Contact us for cart repairs/replacement or to change the size of your garbage cart.
- ◆ **Roll-Off Box / Mini Box Service**  
Order the right box for your cleaning, construction or landscaping project. We are your exclusive service provider.
- ◆ **On-Call Cleanups**  
Take advantage of your two annual On-Call Cleanups for extra garbage and large items.
- ◆ **Online Bill Pay and Paperless Billing**  
Visit our website to sign up.

### Blue Line Transfer, Inc.

- ◆ **Public Disposal and Recycling Facility**  
Be sure to cover/secure your load. Visit our website for current price list.
- ◆ **Drop off for San Mateo County Residents**
  - Car batteries
  - Used motor oil & filters
  - Household batteries (\$)
  - Latex paint
  - Sharps Containers
  - Antifreeze
  - Cooking oil (\$)
  - Electronics (\$)
  - Fluorescent tubes & bulbs (\$)

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