

# BEYOND THE CURB

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RESIDENTIAL NEWSLETTER

CLEANUPS - CLOSED LIDS - LID FLIPPING - THE EDDY CURRENT - LINER BAGS - SAVE THE DATE: MAY 3

## CLEANUPS FOR 2026

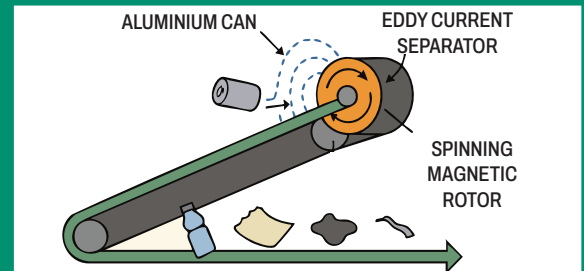
Residents receive two free cleanups per calendar year. Cleanups take place on your regular service day. Please call 650.589.4020 or visit [www.ssfscavenger.com/residential-cleanup/](http://www.ssfscavenger.com/residential-cleanup/) to schedule at least one business day prior to your collection day. When scheduling you'll need to let us know what you plan to set out. Your options include:

- Up to 12 bags of garbage, **or**
- 6 bags plus 1 large item, **or**
- 2 large items



## PLEASE KEEP YOUR LIDS CLOSED

Closed lids keep trash inside and critters out. They prevent spills on windy days, help our drivers work safely and keep our neighborhoods looking great! If your lid doesn't close, it may be time to upsize your service or sort your waste a bit better. Residents living in areas with wind, critter, or uneven pavement issues should contact our office to inquire about a no-charge lid lock.



## RECYCLING: THE EDDY CURRENT!

Eddy currents help us separate aluminium from other metals without even touching them. Inside the eddy current separator, spinning magnets create a fast-changing magnetic field. As metals pass through, they generate electric currents that push them away from other materials.

Once separated, aluminium is baled and sent to specialized recycling facilities where it's melted down and made into new cans, car parts, or building materials—giving it a whole new life!



# LINER BAGS? NO THANK YOU!

## Why we don't accept liner bags in the blue or green carts.

Liner bags — even the “green” or “compostable” ones — cannot go into your recycling or organics carts. Here's why:

- They jam our sorting equipment and slow down the entire line.
- Neither our composters nor recyclers will take them.
- During the anaerobic digestion and composting processes, bags and the materials they contain do not break down properly.

## There are several approved options.

For Organics (Green Cart):

- Place food scraps loose into the green organics cart.
- If you use a plastic bag (standard, bio, or compostable) to collect food scraps, dump the contents into your green cart and place the empty bag in the garbage.
- Use an unlined paper bag, which can go straight into the green cart and will break down naturally.

For Recycling (Blue Cart):

- Empty loose recyclables directly into the cart.
- Rinse and drain food and beverage containers before putting them into the correct side of your recycling cart.
- Place plastic bags in the gray garbage cart.

# save the date

For more information: [ssfscavenger.com/earthday](http://ssfscavenger.com/earthday)

Join us at the SSF Scavenger Co.  
Sunday, May 3 @ 10a - 1p

- Tour our AD Facility
- Get FREE Compost
- Kids Activities
- Touch a Truck
- & More!



# WHY WE “LID FLIP”



You may occasionally see one of our team members lifting the lid on your garbage, recycling, or organics cart. We're doing a quick check called a “lid flip,” and it's required under SB 1383, California's Organics Recycling law.

## WHAT ARE WE CHECKING FOR?

SB 1383 requires that we look for obvious sorting mistakes, such as:

- Food scraps and yard trimmings in the gray garbage cart instead of the green compost cart
- Plastic bags or garbage in the blue recycling or green compost carts
- Cardboard or recyclables in the gray garbage cart

If we notice something out of place, you will find a tag on your cart as a reminder for sorting better.

## WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

Correctly sorting your waste helps reduce methane emissions, turns organic waste into compost, keeps recyclables out of the landfill and supports California's climate goals. A quick lid flip goes a long way in protecting our community and planet!



# MORE THAN CART SERVICE!

## SO. SAN FRANCISCO SCAVENGER CO.

- **On-Call Cleanups:** Take advantage of your 2 annual cleanups for any extra garbage and large items. No extra charge for eligible residential account holders.
- **Roll-Off Box/Mini Box Service:** Order the right box for your cleaning, construction, or landscaping project. We are your exclusive provider!

Email [info@ssfscavenger.com](mailto:info@ssfscavenger.com) or call 650.589.4020 to schedule a Cleanup or order a roll-off box.

## BLUE LINE TRANSFER, INC.

Blue Line Transfer is a public disposal and recycling facility located at 500 East Jamie Ct., South San Francisco.

No appointment is necessary. All loads must be covered & secured.

- Competitive Pricing
- CRV Buy-Back
- Free drop-off (residential customers only): TVs, laptops, car batteries, antifreeze, motor oil, paint, sharps & more

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