

# West Valley Recycles!



## Stay Fresh And Clean In Summer's Heat



The sun is shining and the temperatures are rising! With the incoming summer weather, you want everything to remain as fresh and cool as possible, including your trash! Increase in temperature may lead to smelly garbage due to the heat-induced accelerated decomposition of waste. To rid the unwanted odors and keep your cart smelling clean and fresh, follow these simple tricks!

### Baking Soda



Easy to locate in your pantry, this multifunctional item can be used to deodorize your garbage cart. Simply sprinkle a thin layer directly to the bottom of your cart to help absorb the unwanted smells.

### Dryer Sheets



Similar to Baking Soda, dryer sheets can also be used to absorb garbage odors and will leave a pleasant scent in their wake.

### Tea Bags



Place 2-3 tea bags inside of the trash can and leave overnight. The tea leaves will absorb and mask the smell while releasing a natural aroma of tea. If you don't like the scent of tea then you could also use fresh coffee grounds instead.

## Holiday Service Reminder



Labor Day, Monday, September 4, 2017 is a regular scheduled collection day. Please have your carts out curbside by 6AM on your normal collection service day.



**Reminder:**  
Solid waste collection  
rate change effective  
July 1, 2017.

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## Hot Tips!

With barbeque season in full swing, be sure to dispose of hot coals correctly to prevent any fires or hazards. A coal bucket or metal container can be used to hold hot briquettes and ashes until they are ready for disposal. Place the container or bucket on a concrete or other non-combustible surface, and slowly stir the coals. This will allow the heat to release and break the coals into smaller pieces so that they can cool faster. Place the lid back on the grill with closed vents to block oxygen from reaching the coals. Avoid dousing the hot coals with water since this can lead to explosions, a warped grill, and scalding steam. Once the ashes completely cool, bag the ashes and then place it into your garbage cart. It will take up to 48 hours for the ashes to fully cool. **Never place hot ashes or coals into your cart.**



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## Keep Cool With Wholesome Summer Treats For The Family - Fresh Fruit and Yogurt Ice Pops



- 2 cups fresh blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, and sliced bananas, mixed
- 2 cups plain or vanilla yogurt
- ¼ cup of sugar
- 8 small paper cups
- 8 popsicle sticks

1. Place the mixed blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, sliced bananas, yogurt, and sugar into a blender. Cover, and blend until fruit is chunky or smooth, as desired.
2. Fill paper cups 3/4 full with fruit mixture. Cover the top of each cup with a strip of aluminum foil. Poke a popsicle stick through the center of the foil on each cup.
3. Place the cups in the freezer for at least 5 hours. To serve, remove foil and peel off the paper cup.

## Important to Note

**Roll-Off and Debris Box**  
WVC&R is the exclusive roll-off and debris box provider in Campbell, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, and Saratoga. To schedule a delivery, please contact Customer Service at **(408) 283-9250** or by email at [customerservice@westvalleyrecycles.com](mailto:customerservice@westvalleyrecycles.com)

**Donate:** If you have extra furniture, office supplies, or clothing in good condition, before choosing to toss it in the garbage or recycling, donate them to your local Goodwill, schools or other charitable organizations.

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