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WE ARE HAPPY TO HELP-JUST ASK US WHERE THINGS GO! HERE'S OUR TOP 10 LIST WHERE WE NEED YOUR HELP...

HELLO DEAR COMMUNITY! WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP WITH BETTER SORTING AT THE TRANSFER STATION.

Here is Our Top-Ten List on How You Can Help Us at the Transfer Station. Thank you!!

Recycle More-Did you know if you sort your recyclables from your trash, that 50%-75% of your trash is fully recyclable? Please take the time to have two separate staging areas in your home for items that are coming to the Transfer Station. Make one area for trash, and the other for recyclables. See if you can get yourself to the 50% to 75% recyclable stage. The planet will love you for it, and it will make you happier.

Hazardous Materials: Please do NOT put hazardous materials in the trash bins. All trash bins go to the landfills. The runoff from these hazardous materials seeps down to the groundwater, and that contaminates the groundwater that is used for our drinking water and the water that supports all life forms. The County of Riverside has an ongoing Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program that comes to Idyllwild and

many other County locations. Hold on to your hazardous materials until you can make one of the collection program events. There is an upcoming Hazardous Waste Collection event coming up in Beaumont on December 1st. To find out more about this program and upcoming collection events, call (951) 486-3200, or review this link, www.rivcowm.org.

Here is a partial listing of hazardous materials:

- · Used Oil and Filters
- · Latex/Oil-Base Paint
- · Fluorescent Tubes/Bulbs
- · Pesticides
- Cleaners · BBQ and Camp-Size
- Propane
- · Aerosol Cans · Antifreeze
- · Auto Batteries/Batteries
- · Garden Chemicals
- · Pool Chlorine
- · TVs and Computers (see note)
- · Electronic Waste (see note)
- · Sharps (e.g., medical needles, IVs, etc.)

Please do not put any of the above materials in the trash bins. Thank you so much.

NOTE: We DO have a special recycling area to collect your electronics and computers. It is located to the immediate left of our office area at the Transfer Station. Please put your electronic and computer items in the electronic recycling area and NOT in the trash bins. We can recycle all forms of electronics and computers by keeping them OUT of the trash bins. Thank you.

Cardboard Boxes: We need more cardboard boxes of all kinds, but please put them in the special cardboard box container! Even if you are using a cardboard box to collect trash, when you get to the Transfer Station, empty the trash FROM the cardboard box into the trash bin, and then take the cardboard box over to the cardboard box recycling bin. Thank you.

Metals: We need more metals of all kinds, but NOT in the trash bins! Please put all metals in the Metals recycling bin. All of our metals go to the scrap yard recycling center where all sorts of things are made from these metals for re-use. Please do NOT put metal in any of the trash bins!

All Kinds of Paper, Glass, and Plastic-You can recycle:

a. Paper, paper bags, magazines, direct mail pieces, books, etc.

b. Glass, glass bottles, glass containers, etc. c. Plastic Bottles, Plastic Bags, Plastic Food Containers, and Plastic of Any Kind

One of the biggest heartbreaks is finding all kinds of plastic, paper, and glass in the trash bins. These items can be recycled, and we have one very nice large bin for these items. It's the large bin to the immediate right of the cardboard box bin.

Bulky Items: Put bulky items in the bulky items bin and NOT in the trash bins. The trash bins are for SMALL items only. It's very difficult and dangerous for us to get into the trash bins to haul out a heavy item like a chair or couch. When we jump in, what if someone put a syringe in a trash bin that we couldn't see? We have a special large bin for bulky items, and we love taking bulky items off your hands. Please use only the Bulky Item bin for your bulky items.





Green Waste: Please do NOT put trash of any kind or stones, bricks, rocks, cement, or tiles in the green waste. Green waste is for pine needles, tree wood, leaves, and brush only, and it has re-uses for the outdoor



environment, grounds and landscaping. It should be purely green waste with no additives. Also, the green waste goes to a grinder. Any stone-like material breaks the grinders.

Perfectly Good and Re-Did you know that people are throwing away perfectly good bags of clothes, blankets, household items, lamps, mirrors, chairs, furniture of all kinds, etc.? These items do NOT need to end up in a landfill. Please take them to the HELP Center on your way to

HELP Center rejects your items, Goodwill at any location will accept your items. These non-profit organizations can resell your items, and that helps everyone, and it keeps these items out of the landfill. You can also get a tax write-off for these items if you request a receipt, which they are happy to provide. Donating your items to a non-profit organization is one of the easiest ways to do good deeds for others and the community. Plus, you're saving the environment.

Wood Boards, Lumber, and Plywood: We find a lot of wood boards, lumber, and plywood in the trash bins. These wood items can be used as firewood. Firewood is expensive. Even if you don't burn wood to keep your own house warm, there are many people you know that do and would love to take your wood off your hands. You can save them a fortune in heating expenses, and it's a good deed to provide firewood to people in need. Please call a neighbor or friend that could use your wood as firewood. If you don't know anyone that needs firewood, please call my office, and I will put you immediately in touch with someone that wants your wood.

Bricks, Stones, Rocks, Cement: We canNOT take these items at the Fransfer Station, but we keep finding hese items in the green waste and trash bins. You CAN dispose of bricks, stones, rocks, tiles, and cement at the Lamb Canyon Landfill at 16411 Lamb Canvon Road in Beaumont,

We thank you very much for everything that you do to help the community and the Transfer Station. We appreciate you, and we are always happy to see you. Please take the time to introduce yourself to us if we haven't met yet. We will be delighted to help you in every way possible, and we always look forward to seeing you.

With kindest regards,

Rodrigo Reyes Robert Hernandez Mayor Max

WE SINCERELY THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP!

