

# INTRODUCING EDCO

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CITY OF  
DEL MAR



Important Information Inside...Please review the information in this brochure for an initial overview about EDCO's services and collection program.

## Del Mar's New Waste Hauler

The City of Del Mar conducted an extensive competitive process to select the service provider best suited for collecting and disposing of trash, recycling and organic waste at reasonable rates. Founded in 1967, **family-owned and operated** EDCO was chosen as the City's new waste hauler because of a demonstrated commitment to providing superior customer service to numerous Southern California communities and having the largest network of local recycling facilities in San Diego County. This commitment to innovation includes the development of an organic infrastructure designed to process organic waste ensuring the City of Del Mar will be in full compliance with State mandates.

### Letter from the City Manager

I am excited to introduce the community to EDCO—the City's new franchise waste hauler. Faced with new stringent State requirements associated with the recycling of organic waste, the City felt the time had come to bid for these essential services competitively. The City was fortunate to choose from three quality companies that offered competitive pricing for the city's residents and businesses.

On February 22, 2022, the City Council approved an agreement with EDCO to be the City's new franchise waste hauler. EDCO's services will include collecting trash, recycling, and organics. EDCO shines in several areas important to the City—they offered the lowest overall rates, have the largest recycling infrastructure in the region, were the highest-rated proposer and have an outstanding customer service reputation.

The City and EDCO are working hard to ensure that on July 1, 2022, the transition to the new service provider will be seamless, and the Del Mar community will be pleased.

Ashley Jones  
City Manager



### Transition Date

Effective July 1, 2022, EDCO will begin providing waste and recycling services in the City of Del Mar.

As this date approaches, our entire team is preparing for a seamless service transition.

# Optimizing Services

EDCO's goal is to provide the most optimal service level for your property and tenants. **EDCO will provide personalized site visits to multi-family properties and review service levels and recycling opportunities.**

Owners or managers should contact EDCO for an on-site optimization service review by contacting **Dawn Cox, Del Mar Sustainability Coordinator**, by email at [dc Cox@edcodisposal.com](mailto:dc Cox@edcodisposal.com) or by phone at **(619) 287-5696 ext. 4230**.

## EDCO's Multi-Family Collection Service

### New EDCO Collection Containers

Starting the week of June 20, 2022, EDCO will begin exchanging carts, bins, and/or roll-off boxes used to collect solid waste, recyclable materials and organic waste.

EDCO will collect trash, recyclable items and organics separately in three different colored containers: gray for trash, blue for recycling and green for organics, such as landscape waste and food scraps, and will assist multi-family properties with developing these recycling programs.

By maximizing recycling and organics capacity, multi-family customers are able to reduce their trash collection rate. Simply put, the more you recycle (recyclables and organics), the less you pay for trash

service. The way to offset this is to use your recycling capacity to lower your trash rate. EDCO will personally visit properties to help optimize service.

EDCO's multi-family collection service includes additional enhanced services such as an annual Christmas tree collection, one (1) on-call bulky item collection service at no charge (arranged by the property owner or manager), and bi-annual Del Mar Recycles events.

### Container Sizes

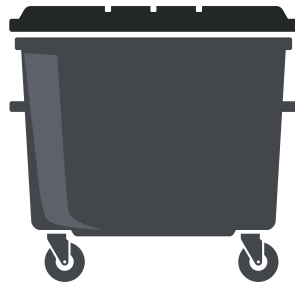


EDCO can provide plastic bins ranging in size from 2-4 cubic yards. Plastic bins weigh almost half the weight of metal bins, which result in safer handling, a cleaner presentation, and reduces potential storm water run-off discharge. *EDCO will offer 6 -yard metal bins.*

*EDCO will also offer 3-yard metal split bins service to multi-family customers upon request.* These bins will be customized with dual compartments to handle any combination of trash plus recycling or organics, or recycling plus organics.

64- and 96-gallon carts are also available to multi-family customers.

# Trash Containers



EDCO will provide wheeled carts, bins, and/or roll-off boxes for collection of solid waste. Customers will have the opportunity to subscribe to an appropriate service level that includes carts (64- and 96-gallons), bins (2 - 6 yards), 3-yard split bins, as well as roll-off boxes (10 - 40 yards) serviced at least once per week and up to seven (7) times per week.

# Recycling Containers



EDCO will provide wheeled carts and bins for the weekly collection of commingled recycling. Customers will have the opportunity to subscribe an appropriate service level that includes carts (64- and 96-gallons), bins (2 - 6 yards), and 3-yard split bins.

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will be customized with dual compartments to handle any combination of trash plus recycling or organics, or recycling plus organics with equivalent service capacity to your business. This provides customers with space constraints the ultimate flexibility in service options!

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Additional multi-family recycling collection service can be provided for an additional cost in variable size recycling carts and/or bins, with the volume, collection frequency, and container type based on the individual needs of the business or property. An effective multi-family recycling program can minimize the amount of trash service needed and reduce your monthly bill!

## Do Not Bag Recyclable Material!



Please do not use bags as they get tangled in recycling processing equipment and can potentially cause damage. Recyclable material should be placed loosely in your blue container, with the exception of shredded paper. Shredded paper should be placed in a clear plastic bag.



# NEW! Organics Service

Organics recycling is now required by State law and is not optional. EDCO will provide wheeled carts and bins for the weekly collection of organics. Customers will have the opportunity to subscribe to an appropriate service level that includes carts (64- and 96-gallons), bins (2 - 6 yards), and 3-yard split bins.

*EDCO will also offer split bin service to multi-family customers upon request. These bins will be customized with dual compartments to handle any combination of trash plus recycling or organics, or recycling plus organics with equivalent service capacity to your complex. This provides customers with space constraints the ultimate flexibility in service options!*

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## How do I get my food scraps from my kitchen to the organics cart?

There are many different ways to neatly move food scraps from your kitchen to your organics cart. Everyone seems to have a different way that works for them, all while getting their food waste into the organics cart. Here are some of the most popular options:



1 **Wrap Your Scraps!** - Many people find wrapping food waste in any type of non-wax paper, such as paper towels, packing paper, newspaper, or paper bags, is an easy way to move food waste from inside your kitchen to your organics cart. This is especially true for large quantities of fruit, meat, etc., and you can even leave the scraps wrapped in the paper and then just drop it into the organics cart.

2 **Containerize It** - Many people have their own containers, such as coffee cans and Tupperware products that they are comfortable using to hold food scraps. EDCO also has an optional free kitchen caddy for your household use. Once the caddy is full, it can be emptied into the organics cart. To receive a free EDCO kitchen caddy, please visit our website, [edcodisposal.com](http://edcodisposal.com), and visit the Residential Services page, under the Apartments & Condos Organics page to place an order.

3 **Freeze It** - Individuals can freeze their food scraps in containers and paper bags and then empty as needed.



Can I use plastic bags for organics, even if they are biodegradable or compostable plastic?

No, please do not use any kind of plastic bags for any type of green waste, food waste or other organics, as they contaminate the Anaerobic Digester! All organic material must be placed loosely inside the organics cart for collection. Paper bags are acceptable.

# Organic Waste

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Organic waste is a renewable natural resource. It mainly comes from landscape waste and unconsumed food waste and scraps from industrial and commercial operations.

Mandatory recycling of organic waste is the next step to achieving California's Zero Waste goals. EDCO constructed the first state-of-the-art, advanced technology Anaerobic Digestion (AD) Facility in San Diego County, capable of taking multi-family organic waste and producing renewable natural gas that serves the needs of the region.

AD is an efficient and environmentally sustainable technology that can make a significant contribution to the management of organic waste in California. Capturing and reducing the amount of methane released into the atmosphere is critical in ensuring a safe and healthy environment for ourselves and future generations.

# Why Recycle Food Waste?

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Organic waste accounts for over 40% of the material in California's waste stream. Organic material cannot break down when buried in a landfill, as it would in nature or in a compost pile. Instead, it decomposes without oxygen releasing methane gas into the atmosphere. Organic material (food scraps and yard waste) will be recycled when placed in green carts and then transported to EDCO's AD Facility, where it will break down and convert into renewable natural gas and fertilizer.

# EDCO's Anaerobic Digestion Facility

Since 1967, family-owned and operated EDCO has had a long-standing commitment to reducing impacts on the environment through innovation. EDCO's state-of-the-art AD Facility will assist Del Mar to be in full compliance with State mandates and keeping us *On the Road to Zero Waste*.



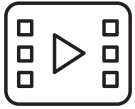
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AD is the natural process in which microorganisms break down organic materials such as food waste, green waste, fats, oils and greases. AD happens in closed spaces where there is no oxygen.

Recycling organics is easy and convenient with EDCO's commingled organics recycling program. Through EDCO's new AD Facility, EDCO has expanded source-separated green waste collection to include the recycling of food waste. This service now allows customers to place food scraps in the same container as green waste. EDCO's AD Facility will be a foundation for Del Mar to achieve State mandates which are directly related to recycling organics in California.



# EDCO's Anaerobic Digestion Video



To learn more about EDCO's new AD Facility and how it will significantly impact the future of organic waste, please visit our website at **[edcodisposal.com](http://edcodisposal.com)** and watch our informative video located in our Resource Center on the home page under Videos!

## California State Mandates



With new mandatory recycling laws now in effect, the EDCO Anaerobic Digestion (AD) facility will allow the City of Del Mar to meet compliance mandates including SB 1383, which is directly related to organic recycling in the State of California.

**SB 1383** - Establishes targets to achieve a 50% reduction in the level of statewide disposal of organic waste by 2020 and a 75% reduction by 2025. The law grants CalRecycle the regulatory authority required to achieve the organic waste disposal reduction targets and establishes an additional target that not less than 20% of currently disposed edible food is recovered for human consumption by 2025. Organic waste as defined in the law includes food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, non hazardous wood waste, and food-soiled paper waste.

Unsoiled, clean fiber (newspaper, cardboard, mix paper, etc.) are required to be recycled in blue commingled recycling containers.





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# NOTICE

Important  
Information Inside  
About EDCO,  
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*"We'll Take Care of It"*


*Please do not hesitate to contact our office and communicate with a customer service representative. EDCO will answer any questions you may have about your new services and try to resolve any situations you may come across.*


*Remember, just call EDCO and "We'll Take Care of It!"*

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*COMING SOON! More service details, collection information, container dimensions and limits, etc. will follow in another informational mailer.*