

Mandatory Commercial Composting State Law - AB1826

Give new life to your food waste.
Food waste can be turned into soil-enriching compost.



State Assembly Bill 1826 (AB1826) requires businesses that generates four (4) or more cubic yards of trash and recyclables per week to divert or recycle their organic waste from the landfill beginning **January 1, 2019**.

AB 1826 defines organic waste that must be diverted as: food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, nonhazardous (non treated or painted) wood waste, and food-soiled paper. Businesses will be required to divert all organic waste identified above from the landfill. Multi-family complexes will not be required to divert food waste and food-soiled paper at this time.

The requirement to divert or recycle organic waste can be met by taking one or more of the following actions:

- Subscribe to organic collection services though Republic Services.
- Recycle, reuse or compost all your organic materials onsite with a Recycling Plan that needs to be submitted to the City for approval. Businesses will also be required to send an annual Diversion Report to the City.
- Sell or donate the generated organic waste. Businesses would need to track donations or selling of organic waste and report to the City annually in the Diversion Report.

Businesses are responsible for the green waste handled by tenants, employees, contractors or subcontractors that live or work on their property.



We'll handle it from here.®

