

Vallejo Views

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Garbage
Service

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Commercial recycling really pays off...

Good for the Earth-Good for the Animals!

Two years ago when Will Rodriguez took over as Operations Supervisor at Six Flags Discovery Park a recycling program was already in place. Will realized, however, that much more could be done to remove recyclable materials from the trash. He began placing recycling receptacles close to copy machines and implementing other easy ways for employees to recycle. The results were immediately noticed.

"We are a family park with employees who deeply care about all animals," explains Will, "even the human ones. Everyone who works here saw the results of the recycling improvements and the enthusiasm grew."

Will soon contacted **Vallejo Garbage Service** and Recycling Manager Lisa LeFebvre. Lisa came to the park and helped Will design a program that worked for everyone. Removing recyclable materials from the trash is an easy way for commercial customers to save on their garbage bills. Commercial customers in Vallejo pay for services based on the volume of garbage they generate. The collection of recyclable materials is at no additional cost.



Will Rodriguez, Operations Supervisor for Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, stands next to a receptacle for recyclable materials. Funds from the recycled bottles and cans are used to purchase toys and supplies for the animals in the park.

"We have already seen our garbage volume decline," said Will. "Lisa helped supply the resources and materials to make our program work. What could be easier?"

A unique feature of the recycling program at the park is many dolphin-like receptacles that park guests use for used bottles and cans. Park employees use the money from the bottles and cans to exclusively purchase needed materials for the park animals and other animals park employees have rescued.

"We have taken the 'watch-me' approach to recycling," Will said. "We want others to watch what we do to improve the park. Our guests will take our attitude home with them and become as passionate about recycling as we are."

To start your recycling program contact **VGS** at 552-3110.

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Let VGS Design Your Recycling Program



Lisa LeFebvre

Commercial garbage bills are based on the volume of trash we collect. A commercial recycling program removes recyclable material from the trash and this keeps garbage bills as low as possible. Contact Lisa LeFebvre today at 552-3110 or llefebvre@vallejogarbage.com. Lisa will come to your business and help design a commercial recycling program that works best for you. She is also available to meet with HOAs, businesses, organizations, schools and other groups who would like more information on recycling. Contact Lisa to schedule a convenient time.

WRAP Up Your Award

The State of California wants to recognize businesses with a **WRAP** award for outstanding efforts to reduce waste. The 2007 **WRAP** application period continues through June 30.



The California Integrated Waste Management Board administers the **WRAP** award program. Each business is judged individually, based upon its own accomplishments. Successful applicants receive an award from the State of California along with authorization to use the **WRAP** winner logo. It is easy to apply and to date over 14,100 awards

have been granted. Businesses use the awards to help their customers and employees recognize that they are doing their part to reduce waste. Apply online at www.ciwmb.ca.gov/WRAP/.

Shred with Confidence

Let **VGS** shred your confidential documents. Our service is great and our prices are low. Businesses are given secure containers for regular or on-call collection, and then we design a collection program that works best for you. Customers may also bring confidential documents to 2021 Broadway for shredding. We accept papers for shredding Thursday through Saturday from 8 AM until 4 PM. Call 552-3110 to set up shredding service, to schedule an appointment to witness the shredding or to get complete prices for these services.

Compost Classes

Learn everything you need to know about earthworm composting or starting and maintaining a compost pile at upcoming VALCORE workshops. The workshops are sponsored by the City of Vallejo, and all participants have a chance to win one of two Bio Stack compost bins. The workshops will be held on September 8 and October 6 from 10 AM until 12 Noon at VALCORE, 38 Sheridan Street in Vallejo.

More Paper Options

Commercial customers may dispose of extra paper goods at the **VGS** Recycling Facility, 2021 Broadway from Thursday through Saturday, 8 AM until 4 PM. This is a great way to handle those unexpected piles of cardboard after major deliveries. Accepted materials include cardboard, magazines, office paper and newspaper.



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