

# SERVICE FOR KERN COUNTY

VARNER BROS., INC.

RESIDENTIAL TRASH, ORGANICS, AND RECYCLING COLLECTION PROGRAM

## Residential Service

Consists of the automated collection of household waste. Residents receive three barrels for collection: a black barrel for trash, a blue barrel for recyclables and a green barrel for green waste and food waste. Please place barrels curbside by 6:00 a.m. on the scheduled collection day. As a courtesy, promptly remove barrels after service. Please place barrels at least 2 feet apart from each other, facing the street, with wheels next to the curb/property line, to one side of the driveway and three feet from parked vehicles or other obstructions.

## Food Waste Recycling

In 2016, Governor Brown signed SB 1383 (the "Short- Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Strategy") into law. This mandate required that Kern County comply, and on 7/1/23, SB 1383 was implemented throughout unincorporated Metro Bakersfield. For more State SB 1383 information please see: <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/>

In conjunction with previous State Mandates, SB 1383 requires all residences and virtually all businesses in Metro Bakersfield properly dispose of their refuse, recycling and organic materials. For more information, please see below or visit [kernpublicworks.com/organics](http://kernpublicworks.com/organics).

Recycle your food by following these steps:

1. Collect food scraps and food waste.
2. Place food waste inside your green organics barrel.

## Holiday Tree Collection

We will collect and recycle your holiday trees placed at the curb on your regularly scheduled collection day beginning December 26th and will continue for two weeks following Christmas. Trees longer than 6' must be cut in half. Please remove ornaments, tinsel and stands before placing at curbside.

## Holiday Schedule

We observe the following holidays: Christmas Day, Independence Day, New Year's Day and Thanksgiving Day. When a holiday falls on a weekday, service will be delayed by one day. There is no service interruption or delay when the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday.

## Bulky Waste/Large Household Items

1. Curbside collection of 2 Large items per month

has no additional charge to unincorporated Metro Bakersfield Residences. These standard household items typically include: appliances, couches, tables, chairs, furniture, mattresses, computers or T.Vs. There are no hazardous, inert, green waste, construction or demolition materials allowed. No items that can't be reasonably lifted by 2 people. Please call (661) 322-6863 to schedule. If you live in the City of Bakersfield and would like a similar service, please call (661) 326-3114.

2. Your hauler and the County conduct 2 Large item collection events per year. These events are held on a Saturday during the Fall and a Saturday during the Spring. There is no limit to the amount of items you can bring. For more information please visit: <https://kernpublicworks.com/education/events/>

## Home Generated Sharps and Needles

The residential Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Service Fees will be placed on your property tax bill. Extra services provided in between tax billing cycles will be billed directly to the property owner.

1. Please NEVER place any needles or sharps in ANY of your refuse or recycling containers.
2. Free Biohazard Sharps containers are available at the Kern County Special Waste Facilities.

The Metro Bakersfield Facility is located at:

Kern County Special Waste

4951 Standard St., Bakersfield, Ca 93308

(Tuesday- Saturday, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

For legal, safe disposal of Residential Hazardous Waste, bring it to one of the permanent Kern County Special Waste Facilities in Bakersfield, Mojave or Ridgecrest, or find out about one-day Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events in your community.

Acceptable items include: automotive fluids, batteries, cooking oil, e-waste, Below are some more helpful tips for Household Hazardous Waste.

- Only buy what you can use. Share leftovers with friends, neighbors, etc.
- Buy safer alternatives to hazardous household products.
- Store unused products in a safe, dry, cool place.
- Follow label directions.

It's as easy as 1-2-3!

1. **KEEP** products in original containers or properly labeled with a sealed lid.
2. **SECURE** products so they won't spill or leak during transport.
3. **TAKE** them to your nearest collection center.

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Or, for more information, please visit:

[KernPublicWorks.com/Hazardous-Waste](http://KernPublicWorks.com/Hazardous-Waste)

For Business Hazardous waste information, please visit: [KernPublicWorks.com/Hazardous-Waste/ Business-Hazardous-Waste](http://KernPublicWorks.com/Hazardous-Waste/Business-Hazardous-Waste)

**\*\*DO NOT PLACE ANY AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS, PAINT PRODUCTS, BATTERIES, NEEDLES, ELECTRONICS, HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS, LIGHT BULBS, DEODORIZERS, PESTICIDES, HERBICIDES, INSECTICIDES, PET CARE PRODUCTS, PHOTOGRAPHIC CHEMICALS OR SWIMMING POOL CHEMICALS IN ANY OF YOUR RESIDENTIAL CARTS.\*\***

## CONTACT INFORMATION

**Varner Bros., Inc.**

1808 Roberts Ln. Bakersfield, CA 93308

**Customer Service:**

(661) 399-2944

**Hours of Operation:**

Monday – Friday  
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Website:**

[VarnerBros.com](http://VarnerBros.com)

## FACILITY INFORMATION

**Landfills:**

Bena Landfill 2951 Neumarkel Rd.

Bakersfield, CA 93307

Shafter-Wasco Landfill 17261

Scotfield Ave. Shafter, CA 93263

**Organics/Greenwaste Facility:**

City of Bakersfield 2601 S. Mt. Vernon Ave.

Bakersfield, Ca 93307

**Construction & Demolition Facility:**

Metropolitan Recycling 2601 S. Mt. Vernon Ave.

Bakersfield, Ca 93307

**Special Waste/Hazardous Waste:**

Kern County Special Waste 4951 Standard St.

Bakersfield, CA 93308

**Oildale Transfer Station (Residential material only):**

Roberts Lane Transfer Station 1900 Roberts Ln.

Bakersfield, Ca 93308

**Black/Gray Container**  
is for trash



**DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

**Blue Container**  
is for recyclables



**PLEASE DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES  
DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

**Green Container**  
is for green waste & food waste



**IF NEEDED, PLEASE USE  
COMPOSTABLE BAGS ONLY**

### TRASH GUIDE

#### YES

- ✓ Clothing
- ✓ Diapers
- ✓ Dishware
- ✓ Flower pots
- ✓ Hoses
- ✓ Plastic bags
- ✓ Pet waste
- ✓ Plastic toys
- ✓ Plastic utensils
- ✓ Shrink wrap
- ✓ Straws
- ✓ Window glass
- ✓ Wipes

#### NO

- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Hot ashes
- ✗ Infectious waste
- ✗ Flammables
- ✗ Fluorescent bulbs
- ✗ Machinery
- ✗ Paint
- ✗ Pesticides
- ✗ Oil
- ✗ Sharps
- ✗ Tires

### RECYCLING GUIDE

#### YES

- ✓ Aerosol cans
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Catalogs
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Glass bottles & jars
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Paper
- ✓ #1 - #7 Plastics
- ✓ Tin cans
- ✓ Tissue boxes
- ✓ Wrapping paper

#### NO

- ✗ Bubble wrap
- ✗ Carpet
- ✗ Ceramic dishes
- ✗ Clothing
- ✗ Diapers
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Hoses
- ✗ Mirrors
- ✗ Pet food bags
- ✗ Pizza boxes, soiled
- ✗ Plastic toys
- ✗ Used paper products
- ✗ Window glass

### ORGANICS GUIDE

#### YES

- ✓ Birds of Paradise
- ✓ Dead plants
- ✓ Flowers
- ✓ Food soiled paper
- ✓ Food waste
- ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Prunings
- ✓ Shrub trimmings
- ✓ Small branches
- ✓ Twigs
- ✓ Untreated wood
- ✓ Weeds

#### NO

- ✗ Animal waste
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Cactus
- ✗ Concrete
- ✗ Dirt
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Flammables
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Liquids
- ✗ Metal
- ✗ Plastic
- ✗ Rocks