



## Additional Information and Resources in Orange County

The list of used oil recycling centers on the last page of the student lesson book includes state-certified locations in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District area.

In Buena Park curbside collection service for used oil is available to customers who have individual trash service. (Note that this is not available to residents of multifamily housing with dumpster service or to residents of Fullerton or La Habra.) Call Curbside Inc. to schedule a pickup at your home at (800) 449-7587.

The closest Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility is located in Anaheim at 1071 N. Blue Gum Street. Orange County residents can dispose of toxic household products for free on Tuesdays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is also a free “stop & swap” program for partial containers of household toxics that are still usable.

Household hazardous waste includes some materials that many people do not realize are hazardous. New regulations prohibit batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and virtually all electronic devices from landfill disposal. This includes common items like microwaves and cell phones, and some that many people might not think of such as athletic shoes with flashing lights.

There is a lot of information including lists of toxic products and locations of other Household Hazardous Waste sites in the County at [www.oilandfills.com/hazardous\\_waste.asp](http://www.oilandfills.com/hazardous_waste.asp). One feature at this site called “Hazardous products in your home” is a graphic-based house tour that allows users to click on different products in simulated rooms of the house and learn details about proper use and disposal. It has a LOT of words but might be intriguing to your more advanced students.

Service for other recycling is different in each community. In Fullerton, there are not separate recycling containers for residents to use, but all trash is separated for recycling. There are guidelines for “Preparing Your Trash for Recycling” at the City’s website, [www.ci.fullerton.ca.us/facts/recycle.html](http://www.ci.fullerton.ca.us/facts/recycle.html).

In La Habra and Buena Park, many different kinds of recyclables are placed in one blue cart, separate from the trash cart. There is information on this at [www.wmorangecounty.com/cities/lahabra.asp](http://www.wmorangecounty.com/cities/lahabra.asp) for La Habra and at [www.edcodisposal.com/recycling/index.html](http://www.edcodisposal.com/recycling/index.html) for Buena Park.

In each community’s residential service there are separate containers for green waste, and it is very important not to put this material (grass clippings and other landscaping waste) in plastic bags. If any of your students garden at home or work in landscaping, this is important information as bagged green waste is landfilled instead of being composted.

The Watershed and Coastal Resources Division of Orange County has a map showing the watersheds within the County at [www.ocwatersheds.com/watersheds/introduction.asp](http://www.ocwatersheds.com/watersheds/introduction.asp)