



Additional Information and Resources in San Leandro

For more information about used oil and other environmental questions in San Leandro, contact the Recycling Hotline at 510-577-6026 or recycle@ci.san-leandro.ca.us.

There is information about recycling and other environmental issues at the City's website, www.ci.san-leandro.ca.us. If you select "City Services" from the blue tabs at the top of the home page, you will find a variety of resources, including recycling and garbage services.

Two haulers of solid waste and recycling serve San Leandro.

Alameda County Industries (ACI) serves most of the northern and western areas of San Leandro. (510) 357-7282 www.alamedacountyindustries.com/

Waste Management of Alameda County serves the southern areas of San Leandro, including all of Washington Manor, through an agreement with the Oro Loma Sanitary District. (510) 613-8710

Both offer curbside collection of used oil and filters. (Note that curbside service is not available to residents of multifamily housing.) Residents who do not have curbside service may take used oil to any of San Leandro's collection centers (listed on the last page of the student lesson book.)

The Alameda County website www.stopwaste.org has a wealth of additional information about waste reduction and recycling. From the home page, you can use drop-down menus to access information about recycling a wide variety of materials. More general information can be found by clicking on the yellow box for "Residents." The blue box for "Schools" describes free recycling resources and assistance available to schools.

A direct link to the site's section on household hazardous waste is at www.household-hazwaste.org. There are three drop-off locations for toxic materials such as household cleaners, pesticides, fluorescent tubes, paint, and batteries. The locations are in Hayward, Livermore and Oakland, and are open on a limited schedule. The schedule and maps to the locations are on the website. These drop-off locations should be used to dispose of motor oil that has been contaminated with other materials such as gasoline, antifreeze or solvents, and absorbents such as rags or cat litter that have been used to clean up oil spills.

The site also has a section on alternatives to hazardous household products that you and your students may find interesting.

For broader local environmental information, check out the National Resources Defense Council's site called "Green Gate" www.nrdc.org/greengate/, an "Environmental Guide to the San Francisco Bay Area." It is very easy to navigate, has a wide range of information, and has links to other organizations in the "Green Guides and Resources" section.