

El Corazon Composting Facility



Green Waste

Residents separate their green waste and have the option of placing it at the curb for collection or hauling the material to the El Corazon Compost Facility themselves. Landscape maintenance businesses, both large and small, enjoy the rates and convenience of the central location to drop off their product. The facility affords the City's waste hauler a saving in many ways—lower tip fees, shorter haul distance and disposal routes with lower expenses for fuel and maintenance for their fleet vehicles. Green waste tonnage has incrementally grown with each year. The tonnage recycled in 1998 was 36,262 and in 1999 it was 54,421 tons.



Curbside Recycling

Oceanside instituted curbside recycling to comply with State AB 939 recycling mandate in 1989. The City's green waste recycling/composting program has been an award-winning example of municipal and private enterprise collaboration. The citizens of Oceanside can be proud of the contributions they make toward the recycling and diversion goals that the City has achieved. The key to this success is the El Corazon Compost Facility.



Composting

Composting is nature's way of recycling. It is the controlled decomposition of organic materials such as grass, leaves, branches, fruit and vegetables. Composting adds natural amendments to our soil and enhances the overall quality of properties.

The soil in portions of Oceanside is clay-like which requires soil amendments and additives to produce desirable vegetative growth. The El Corazon Facility supplies compost with a natural additive that enriches the soil, increases water absorption and assists in aeration. Compost saves on water consumption and reduces erosion of valuable top soil.

A compost give-away program started in May of 1997, with various grades of humus compost, agri-mulch, landscape mulch and bedding mulch made available to Oceanside residents. The partnership and convenience between the owners of El Corazon and Oceanside residents has grown closer over the years. Residents gladly recycle their green waste to cut back on landfill disposal impacts. Citizens then have a byproduct of mulch, free of charge, for seasonal planting projects at their residences.

Interested in Participating?

Simply bring your green waste to the El Corazon Facility. It is open to all Oceanside residents.

Acceptable Items

Yard trimmings consisting of branches
Grass
Leaves
Clean unpainted and untreated wood
Clean (unused and unpainted) gypsum board

Unacceptable Items

Palm fronds
Tree trunks
Cactus and yucca
Stumps containing rocks or dirt
Wood with paint
Stain or other chemical treatments
Trash including plastic
Metal
Glass or other contaminants
Used gypsum board



Facility Rules

- All loads must be covered
- Littering is prohibited
- Speed limits are enforced
- Children under 16 must remain in vehicle or be supervised
- No smoking or consumption of alcoholic beverages

El Corazon Composting Facility Location:

3210 Oceanside Blvd
Oceanside, CA 92054
760-439-9920

Hours of Operation:

7:30am to 5:00pm Monday-Friday
8am to 4 pm Saturday
Closed Sunday