



Additional Information and Resources in San Francisco

The San Francisco Department of Environment website www.sfenvironment.org contains a wealth of information and is fairly easy to navigate. From the home page, you can reach information about used oil and other household toxics by clicking on the “residential” link under the heading “Toxics Disposal and Reduction.” There is also a heading for “Recycling” and several other environmental topics. Some of the information is available in Spanish and Chinese as well.

San Francisco’s home pickup service for used oil, filters, and latex paint is one of the best and easiest to use of any such program in the nation. Details are in the color fact sheet on used oil in your packet, and also on the website referenced above.

For more information about used oil and other household toxics, contact Cynthia Knowles at San Francisco Department of Environment, (415)355-3760 or Cynthia.Knowles@sfgov.org.

The web site for the local garbage and recycling hauler (called variously Sunset Scavenger and Golden Gate Disposal) is www.sunsetscavenger.com/. The home page has excellent short videos and slide shows on several recycling topics. The link to learn about household hazardous waste at this site is in the “SF Dump” tab at the top of the page. After clicking on that tab, click on the red type about “household hazardous waste.”

The National Resources Defense Council has a 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.

The San Francisco Clean City Coalition site at www.sfcleancity.com is another source of environmental information and resources, with a more hands-on approach. It includes volunteer opportunities and contact information for various local agencies.

Alameda County’s website www.stopwaste.org is also very useful, and is a good place to look for recycling opportunities for difficult-to-recycle items.