

## Who must participate?

All new construction, room additions, remodels, demolition, and alterations that value \$150,000 or greater, and ALL demolition projects of buildings and structures regardless of costs must participate in the C&D Debris Recycling Program.

### Exemptions

Projects that are exempt from the program, but are encouraged to divert waste from the landfill include:

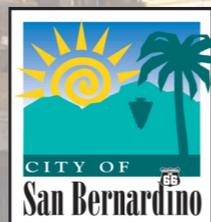
1. Work for which only a plumbing, electrical, and/or mechanical permit is required;
2. Seismic tie-down projects;
3. Installation of a patios or awnings;
4. Installation of pre-fabrication accessories, such as signs or antennas;
5. Residential pools and spas;
6. Re-roofing
7. Block walls and retaining walls; and
8. Other work that the Director of Public Works determines will not produce significant quantities of construction or demolition waste.

An applicant for projects may submit an application for exemption on the grounds that the project will not generate more than 35 gallons of C&D Waste.

## Questions?

The City of San Bernardino Integrated Waste Management Division provides assistance to applicants in developing and implementing a Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste Recycling Program.

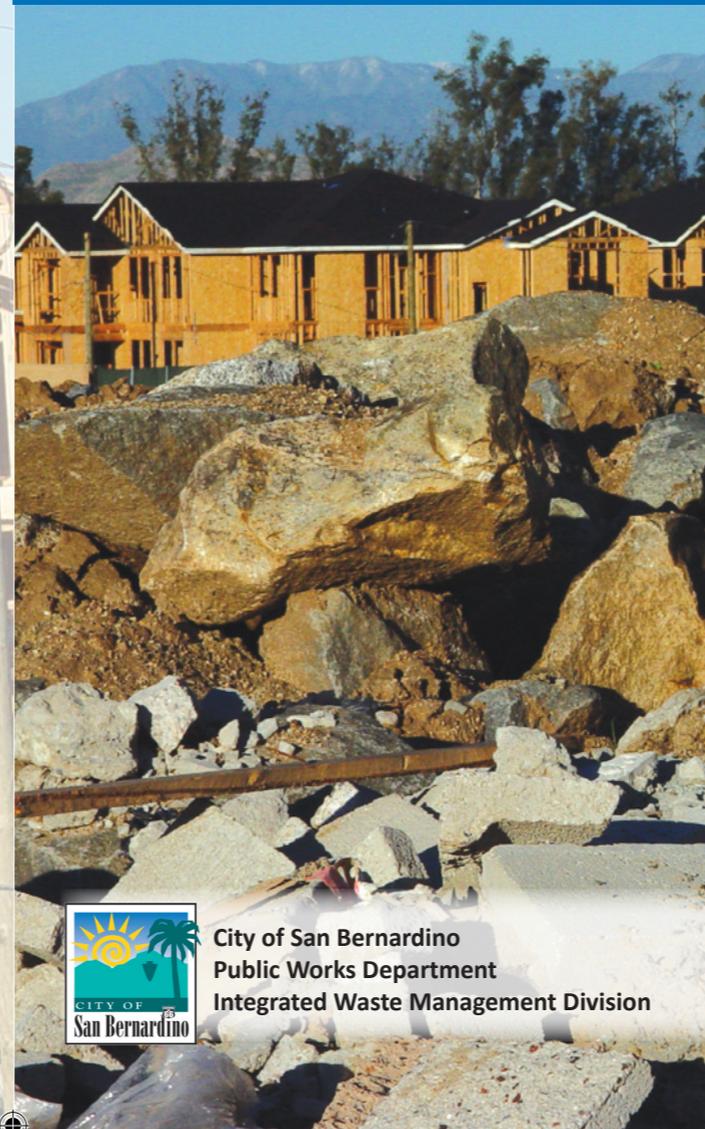
Should you have any questions regarding the C&D Waste Recycling Program, please call the City of San Bernardino at (909) 384-5549.



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# City of San Bernardino Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling Program



City of San Bernardino  
Public Works Department  
Integrated Waste Management Division

The City of San Bernardino has implemented a Construction and Demolition (C&D) Recycling Program to assist in the goal of reducing the amount of materials sent to landfills. The program mandates that 50% of the C&D materials generated from residential, commercial, and demolition construction projects be recycled and/or diverted from landfills.

Applicants for a building or demolition permit must pay an administrative fee, remit a security deposit, and file a C&D Waste Recycling and Disposal Report Summary within 60 days of the project completion to recover the security deposit.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Why is the City doing this program?**

The City is mandated by the State's California Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939) to reduce the amount of trash going to landfills.

Reuse and recycling of C&D materials is one component of a larger holistic practice called sustainable or green building construction. The efficient use of resources is a fundamental tenet of green building construction. This means reducing, reusing, and recycling most if not all materials that remain after a construction or renovation project. Green building construction practices can include salvaging dimensional lumber from the project or using aggregates reclaimed from crushed concrete.

### **What is source separated recycling?**

Source separated recycling is when materials are separated by type at the point of generation and disposed in different containers for recycling. Fees for using recycling facilities that accept source separated materials are typically much less expensive than mixed C&D recycling facilities or landfill disposal. Some facilities may even pay for certain materials. Make sure to clarify with the Certified Recycling Facilities before bringing your C&D recycling loads to them.

### **What should I do if my subcontractor doesn't recycle?**

Make sure that all contractors and subcontractors are well informed about the C&D Ordinance, and involve them on the recycling plan for the project. Add specific language to contracts, holding contractors and subcontractors responsible for compliance with your waste plan.

## Basic Steps

**Step 1** - Submit the Administration Fee of \$34 and Security Deposit (0.25% of the project cost, not to exceed \$10,000) with your Building or Demolition permit application.

**Step 2** – Arrange to have a C&D roll-off box placed at the work site in accordance with the City's provisions.

**Step 3** - During construction/demolition, gather data for your C&D Waste Recycling and Disposal Report Summary. You are required to keep all weight tags, gate receipts, and/or invoices necessary to document actual quantities of materials generated, reused, recycled, and/or disposed of throughout your project, as well as facilities or service providers used.

**Step 4** – Complete and submit a C&D Waste Recycling and Disposal Report Summary within sixty (60) days after completion of your project. You will need to attach all documentation gathered in Step 3 to the Report Summary. Mail or deliver the completed Report Summary, with the required documentation to:

Integrated Waste Management Division  
Attn: Deborah Allen  
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**Step 5** – The City will refund your Security Deposit if you have diverted at least 50% of the waste generated. **Please note that your Security Deposit will be forfeited** if the City does not receive your completed Construction and Demolition Waste Recycling and Disposal Report Summary within sixty (60) days after receiving the Building Inspector's sign-off for the final inspection of your project.



### **Construction and Demolition Debris includes, but is not limited to:**

- Asphalt
- Brick
- Concrete
- Metal
- Rock/Stone
- Roof shingles
- Salvagable material
- Wood
- Vegetation



## Habitat for Humanity

The goal of the C&D program is to divert materials from the landfill, however instead of recycling the material, some groups, like Habitat for Humanity can reuse them or sell them to raise funds for their housing projects.

Habitat for Humanity builds or rehabilitates houses to provide affordable housing in the San Bernardino area and around the world. The local affiliate accepts donations of new and gently used building materials, cabinets, countertops, furnishings and related projects. The items are then sold through the Habitat for Humanity Restore, with proceeds used to fund construction of habitat homes. Contributions to Habitat are tax-deductible.

For more information, call the San Bernardino Habitat for Humanity affiliate at (909) 387-1176 or visit their website at [www.habitat4humanity.net](http://www.habitat4humanity.net).