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Free countertop composting buckets for all customers **Composting Reduces Greenhouse Gases, Preserves Landfill Space**

Novato Sanitary District announced today, that they and their franchise partner, Novato Disposal Services, are giving away to customers a free one-gallon, countertop composting buckets.

Composting buckets are free for customers with identification. Pick them up at the Novato Recycling Center, 7576 Redwood Blvd. Open Tuesday - Sunday 10am-4pm. For more information call, (415) 897-4177. A total of 2,000 free composting buckets is available.

Novato Disposal Service is franchised by Novato Sanitary District to provide solid waste services in Novato. Part of their agreement is to dramatically increase recycling and composting at minimal cost to customers, making progress toward achieving Zero-Waste Goals, by eventually taking 80% of the waste collected and recycling, reusing or composting it.

“Composting is a vital component toward being green and achieving our long-term goals,” stated District Manager Beverly James. “Composting preserves landfill space, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and returns nutrients to the soil. As a bonus, our residential trash and recycling rates remain among the lowest in the county – 20 to 40% less than what most neighboring communities pay even with the extra Zero-Waste services.”

Composting is extremely easy and all food scraps are accepted including; meat, fish, bones, cheese, meal leftovers, fruits, veggies, peelings, pasta, rice, bread, coffee grounds, egg shells, coffee filters, tea bags and soiled paper towels. Simply fill your countertop composting bucket and then add it to your yard debris cart.

The compost will be hauled by Novato Disposal to the newly refurbished Redwood Landfill and Recycling Center, just a few miles north of Novato. The short transport distance lowers costs and saves energy.

Please help us to reach our Zero-Waste goals and pick up your free counter top composting bucket today. We want to make composting as convenient as possible, so you don't need to work hard to do something good for the environment and our community.

For detailed information on curbside food collection and composting, visit the Novato Sanitary District Website, www.novatosan.com.

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