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Event Announcement

**City of Menlo Park
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***Garbage and Recycling Collection Day Change Starting
September 1st***

Menlo Park, CA – Starting September 1, 2012, garbage and recycling collection days will change for over 6,500 Menlo Park residents. The change will allow the garbage and recycling collection schedule to be more compatible, efficient, and cost effective with the city's street sweeping program, and will also improve efficiency of Recology's collection services.

Street sweeping generally occurs over large sections of the city on the same day. When Recology began services in 2011, the company was asked to limit service day changes by the South Bayside Waste Management Authority (SBWMA). However, this created pockets of fragmented service days in large sections of the Menlo Park that have caused the street sweeper to drive from one section of the City to another. Continuing the existing schedule will increase street sweeping costs for the city over the next eight years as the City has contracted with Recology until 2020.

Understanding that this will be a major change for residents, City and Recology staff have sent billing inserts, postcards, and recorded messages to residents since June to ensure adequate notice has been provided to residents.

To find out if your collection day has changed or for more information, please visit http://www.recologysanmateocounty.com/menlo_park_routes.php or call Recology at 598-8259 or the City's Environmental Programs at 330-6740.

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