

**New Multi-Family Recycling Program
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Apartment residents and property owners in a spectrum of neighborhoods stretching from the Hollywood Hills to Los Feliz are being selected for a pilot recycling program sponsored by the City Department of Public Works' Bureau of Sanitation.

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"Recycling saves our natural resources, saves landfill space and creates less pollution," said Fourth District City Councilman Tom LaBonge, who represents the targeted areas. LaBonge noted that single family residences in Los Angeles have had refuse recycling for a long time, but as more Angelenos than ever before now live in apartments and condos, it is vital that they also have a chance to recycle, as well.

"The theme of this program is that "recycling is good for everyone", said LaBonge. "I look forward to all of the eligible residents of my district taking full advantage of this free and convenient program." The councilman noted that representatives of the program's Recycle Corps will be fanning out through the targeted neighborhoods to help condo and apartment residents get started. The Recycle Corps members will give out supplies and information and help residents to start recycling.

Craig and Pam Davis own a 26 unit apartment building in the 90068 Hollywood Hills zip code area and are "committed to keeping L.A. clean." Craig Davis said that he was happy to see this program come along. "Our tenants are in partnership with us in our concern about the environment. So it was a natural fit when the city asked us to become involved in a recycling program that was free and easy to implement," Davis said.

Los Angeles city officials say that the Multi-Family Building Recycling Pilot Program can work wonders to reduce landfill waste. It has been shown that the average family can cut its trash in half by diverting recyclable paper, as well as glass, metal and plastic containers. These materials can be recycled into new products including clothing, toys, dishes and even jewelry. And people who do recycle know that they are reducing the refuse going to landfills.

To find out more about the Multi-Family Recycling Pilot Program, please call (866) 525-5252.