

# Recycle Plus Rate Increases

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Environmental Services

# Recycle Plus Rate Recommendation 2009-2010

	Percent Increase	Monthly \$ Increase
Single-Family	2%	\$0.55
Multi-Family	4%	\$0.71

- No increase for yard trimmings carts & large item pickups
- Rates effective July 1st

# Why A Rate Increase

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- Increased Contractual Costs
  - Annual COLA's (~ 3%)
  - Expanded Neighborhood Clean-Up Program
- Maintain Cost Recovery

# Recycle Plus Rate Comparison 2009-2010

<b>32-Gallon Garbage Service</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>
Current County Average*	\$25.62
Current SJ Rate	\$26.95
With 2% Increase	\$27.50

\*Note: Average does not reflect rate increases in other jurisdictions expected for 2009-2010. The suite of services offered by San Jose are among the most comprehensive in the County.

# 2008-2009 Accomplishments

- Residential Recycling up 14%
- Multi-Family Recycling
  - 80% of waste recycled
  - 65 new green jobs in San Jose
  - GHG avoidance = Elimination of 9,000 cars
  - Rates among lowest in Bay Area
- Neighborhood Clean-Up Program
  - More households served
  - 75% of waste recycled

