



CITY COMPOSTABLE MATERIALS GUIDE & APPROVED VENDOR LIST



for use in the City of Santa Barbara's Business Foodscrap Composting Program



Bagasse – A fibrous residue of sugarcane and sorghum that is made into a paper-type product and is fully compostable. The most common bagasse products are insulated food containers.

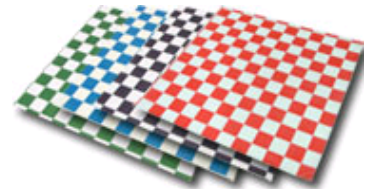
PLA (with Green Stripe) – PLA (Polylactic Acid) looks like plastic, but in fact it is made from renewable resources like corn and other starches. PLA is fully compostable in a certified composting facility. PLA products must have a green stripe in order to distinguish them from traditional plastic (non compostable) and prevent contamination.



Paper Liquid Containers (Hot and Cold) – Paper containers must be lined with PLA and have a green stripe or compostable symbol on them. Typical paper containers are lined in plastic and will contaminate the compost.



Paper and Cardboard – Napkins, bags, tissues, unwaxed and waxed cardboard, and paper towels can all be composted.



Waxed / Parchment Paper - wrapping for sandwiches and burritos, plus pastry paper, etc. Dirty and greasy is fine.



Utensils —Made from Potatoes, Soy, and/or Corn.

Compostable Bags —Typically green in color and made from a variety of patented bio-polymers. Available in a growing range of sizes and thicknesses, these can be used to line yellow indoor compost bins. Not appropriate for hot liquids or extended storage.



APPROVED VENDORS

Vendor	Website	Product Line	Contact Name	Email	Phone
Be Green Packaging	www.begreenpackaging.com	Compostable packaging and containers	Justin Faerman	info@begreenpackaging.com	805-456-6088
Bio Bag	www.biobagusa.com	Compostable bags	Mark Williams	mark@biobagusa.com	727-789-1646 Ext. 110
Eco Green Supply	www.eco-greensupply.com (website temporarily down)	Compostable containers, cutlery, and bags	Jeff Davis	ecogreensupply@gmail.com	805-689-8418
Jordano's Foodservice	www.jordanos.com	Compostable containers, cutlery, and bags	Mike Renkoski	mrenkoski@jordanos.com	805-679-7782
Pro Care Janitorial Supply	www.eprocure.com (website temporarily down)	Compostable containers, cutlery, and bags	Marc Rodriguez	marc@eprocure.com	805-202-1667
Sysco Foodservices	www.sysco.com	Compostable bags	Jacinto Villanueva	Not Available	877-205-9800
The Bag Man	www.mikethebagman.com	Compostable containers, cutlery, and bags	Mike McKeown	mikemckeown@cox.net	805-698-7286

Compostable Label



Make sure that items are certified “compostable.” This Biodegradable Products Institute label ensures the item meets ASTM standards and will break down in our municipal compost. Items only labeled “biodegradable” are not accepted in the foodscraps program.