

Los Angeles County Public Works manages waste collection and disposal for areas within unincorporated Los Angeles County.

This system includes:



7

Garbage Disposal Districts



1 million+

people within the county's unincorporated areas



2.8 million

tons of waste generated annually in unincorporated communities



45%

of the waste disposed is organic waste



67%

of waste is currently diverted from landfills



80%

waste diversion goal



OUR GOAL

Reduce the amount of waste going to landfills and the greenhouse gas emissions created by landfill waste.

THE OUTCOME

People in Los Angeles County thriving in a safe, clean, and sustainable environment.

2026 PROPOSED WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE FEE INCREASE

To ensure continued delivery of essential waste collection and disposal services, Public Works is proposing a service fee increase in 2026. This adjustment is necessary to keep pace with inflation and comply with statewide regulations like Senate Bill 1383. This service fee increase will affect property owners in the unincorporated Garbage Disposal Districts of Firestone and Mesa Heights.

Property owners within these districts will receive a Proposition 218 Notice from Public Works in spring 2026, with information on the proposed service fee increases and the Proposition 218 process.

For more information on Public Works waste management services and Proposition 218, visit pw.lacounty.gov/go/Prop218.

**Los Angeles County
Public Works is here to help!**

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pw.lacounty.gov/go/Prop218-GDD



Public Works
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

We plan, design, build, and maintain modern infrastructure that uplifts all communities of Los Angeles County.

Garbage Disposal Districts (GDD)



GDD Waste Management Services



We rely on our waste management system every day to keep our bins empty and our communities clean. Essential services keep garbage from piling up on our streets and our landfills free of items which could otherwise be recycled or composted. Public Works provides Garbage Disposal Districts (GDDs) with the following waste management services:



Waste Collection

Trash, recyclables, and organic waste collection from their respective carts or dumpsters.



Bulky Item and Electronic Waste Collection

Furniture, appliances, and electronics collection.



Community Events

Community events including mulch, compost, and community shredding events.



Sharps Collection

Hypodermic needles, pen needles, intravenous needles, lancets, and other devices collection by request.

The Seven GDDs



Garbage Disposal Districts are special assessment districts in unincorporated Los Angeles County that provide waste collection and disposal services to residents and businesses through the County's contract with private waste haulers. The GDDs are important because they help establish quality waste management services, increase accountability, improve customer service, and promote cleaner neighborhoods.

The seven districts are: Malibu, Mesa Heights, Lennox, Belvedere, Walnut Park, Athens/Woodcrest/Olivita, and Firestone.



OUR PATH TOWARD ZERO WASTE

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted a Zero Waste Plan which outlines strategies and initiatives to reduce the amount of waste going to landfills and the greenhouse gas emissions created by landfill waste.

Managing solid waste in a sustainable manner is essential to protect public health, save natural resources, and combat climate change. The programs and policies are designed to help the County reduce reliance on limited landfill space for disposal, maximize the reuse of natural resources, and recover materials to beneficial uses.



LEARN MORE ABOUT
LA County Public Works
and the Zero Waste Plan:
zerowaste.lacounty.gov