

# THIS IS A CLIMATE ISSUE

Rising global temperatures attributed to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions have created an array of problems across the globe including wildfires, drought, sea level rise, more frequent extreme weather events, habitat reduction, natural disasters and biodiversity loss.

However, taking an extra moment to sort your waste is an easy way to combat climate change. Landfills are the third largest source of methane emissions in California. When buried in landfills, organic waste emits 20% of the state's methane (a climate super pollutant 84 times more potent than carbon dioxide) and air pollutants like PM 2.5 (which contributes to health conditions like asthma).

Organics wastes make up half of what Californians send to landfills. Items placed in the trash are sent directly to the landfill and are not sorted out—that's why it's so important to sort waste into the correct bin. Reducing the amount of organic waste in landfills has a direct impact on the climate crisis and can create a healthier world for all of us to live in.



**TAKE THIS SURVEY  
TO LET US KNOW  
HOW YOU FEEL  
ABOUT COMPOSTING  
AND RECYCLING AND  
WHAT WE CAN DO  
TO HELP!**



**For more information about SB 1383  
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## **CALIFORNIA SB 1383**

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# WHAT IS SB 1383?

California passed Senate Bill 1383 in 2016, a piece of legislation created to divert organic waste materials such as food, landscaping scraps, and fiber material from landfills to instead be recycled through composting. This means that both residents and businesses are required to compost organic materials. In turn, money and resources are saved by prolonging landfill capacity lifetimes.

The regulations aim for a 75% statewide reduction in organic waste disposal by 2025. The bill also works to address food insecurity by requiring that 20% of currently discarded edible food is redirected to Californians in need by 2025. By reaching these goals, California could reduce GHG emissions equivalent to taking 2 million cars off the road for an entire year.

## WHO IS IMPACTED?

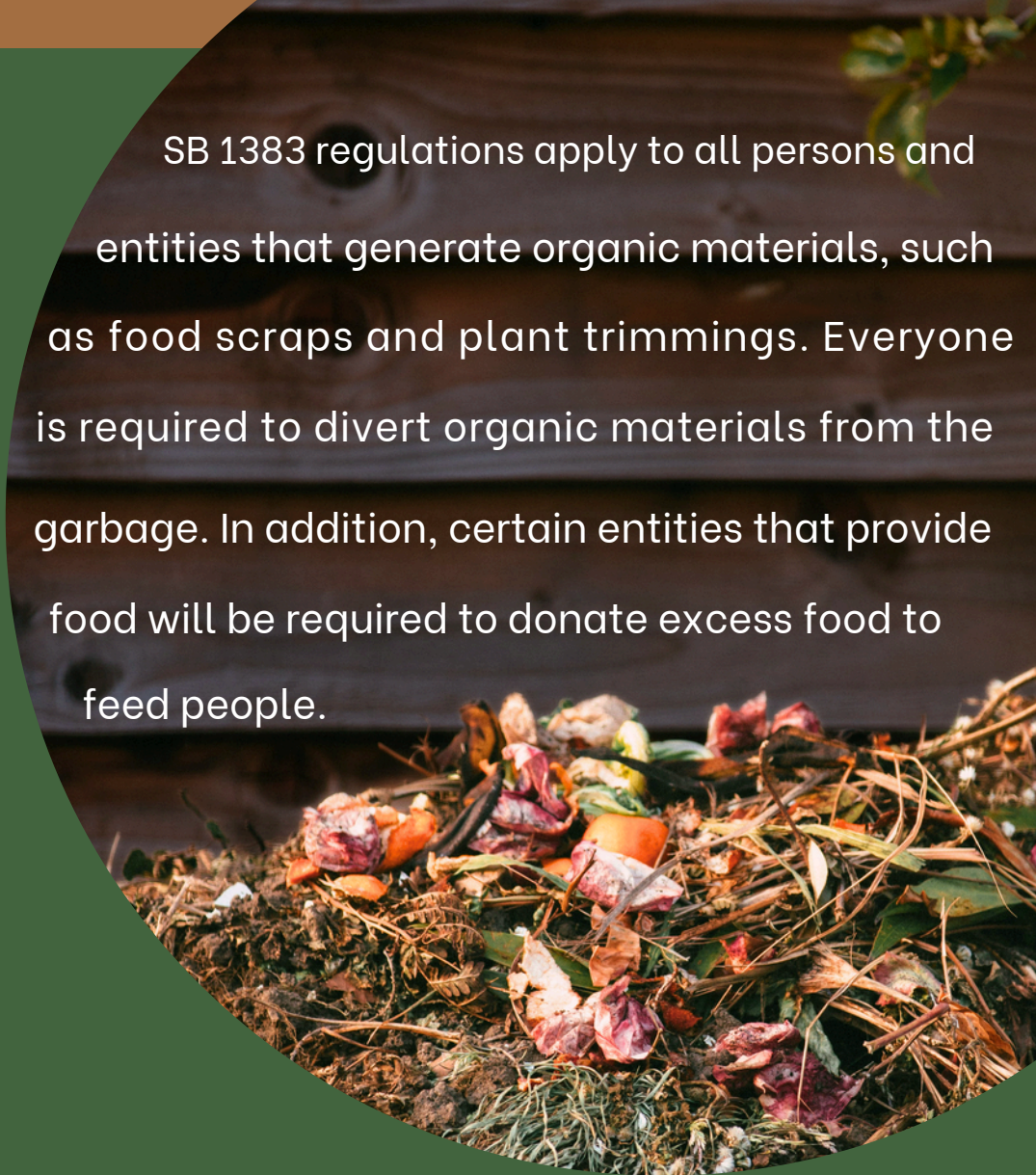
**Residents** including those living in single-family homes or multi-family buildings

**Commercial Entities** such as for-profit and non-profit organizations, government offices, and industrial facilities

**Non-local entities** such as special districts, state & federal facilities and prisons

**Education agencies** such as schools, community colleges and universities

SB 1383 regulations apply to all persons and entities that generate organic materials, such as food scraps and plant trimmings. Everyone is required to divert organic materials from the garbage. In addition, certain entities that provide food will be required to donate excess food to feed people.



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