



Business Connection

CITY OF SOUTH GATE

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Mandatory Commercial Recycling

The adoption of the California Assembly Bill 341 (AB 341), which is designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by diverting waste from landfills is now in effect. This law requires California commercial businesses and public entities that generate four or more cubic yards per week of waste and multi-family housing complexes with five or more units, to adopt recycling practices.



Compliance with AB 341 is easy. The City's contracted waste hauler, Waste Management offers programs to support commercial customers and multi-family complexes in meeting the AB341 requirements.

Options for businesses to comply:

- Business may donate, sell and/or make other arrangements for pick up of the recyclable materials. This includes self-hauling the materials to recycling facilities.
- Arrange for recycling services directly through Waste Management at (626) 260-2586 or 1-800 - 774-0222 or online at www.wm.com/us/business.

Whether you have an existing recycling program or starting from scratch, here are some quick and easy tips from Waste Management:

Recycle - Place a desk-side recycling container (an empty copier paper carton will suffice) at every desk. Collect paper, bottles, cans, and cardboard/paperboard from all your employees. Recycle old printer cartridges using mail-back containers from the supplier. Collect batteries, compact fluorescent bulbs and tubes, along with e-waste for convenient recycling by mail (www.thinkgreenfromhome.com).

Reduce - Think before printing a document. E-mail information to co-workers instead of using a hard copy. By reducing the amount of material going into your trash bins and increasing the level of recycling, you will have immediate impact on your monthly trash rate.

Reuse - Encourage employees to re-use. Use paper already printed on one side for notes or printing drafts on the other. Bring your lunch to work in reusable containers. Drink coffee out of mug or bring a travel mug with you to the coffee shop.

If you are interested in participating in a recycling and/or organics program or would like more information on commercial recycling, please contact Waste Management at (626) 260-2586 or 1-800-774-0222 or online at www.wm.com/us/business.



Welcome New Businesses!

Buena Mesa Restaurant
5861 Firestone Blvd.

Doggie Groom and Sit
3915 Tweedy Blvd.

Calendar of Events

City Council Meetings

August 14th & 28th at 6:30pm
City Hall Council Chambers
8650 California Avenue

Planning Commission Meeting

August 21st at 7:00pm
City Hall Council Chambers
8650 California Avenue

South Gate Chamber of Commerce

General Board Meeting
August 16th at 10:00am
3350 Tweedy Blvd.

Tweedy Mile Association

General Membership Meeting
August 14th at 11:00am
Leland R. Weaver Library
4035 Tweedy Blvd.

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

City of South Gate Economic Development Division

8650 California Ave., South Gate, CA 90280
Business Hours: Monday—Thursday 7am-5:30pm

[Website](http://www.cityofsouthgate.org/business)
www.cityofsouthgate.org/business

[Phone](tel:(323)563-9535)
(323) 563-9535

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Share your ideas to Improve Small Business

In partnership with the California Academy for Economic Development (CALED), the City of South Gate will be holding a study session with local business owners to evaluate the needs of the City's small business community. The study session will be on **Monday, August 27 from 9am to 10am** in the azalea Shopping Center, Azalea Meeting Room, 4761 Firestone Blvd. The study session would aim to achieve the following outcomes:



- Solicit input from local small business owners to understand what areas of assistance are most valuable;
- Evaluate the effectiveness of communication of business resource centers such as Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and SCORE; and
- Make recommendations for how the City can better coordinate with small business to ensure that South Gate small businesses are receiving the assistance they need.

The study session will consist of a panel of business specialists that will briefly interview business owners regarding their experience as a business owner in South Gate. We encourage business owners to participate to help the City enhance business assistance efforts. If you are interested in participating, please RSVP by August 20, 2018 to Marina Urias, Project Coordinator at murias@sogate.org / (323) 563-9535.

Firestone Boulevard Enhancement Project

The Firestone Boulevard Enhancement Project seeks to provide congestion relief, increase driver and pedestrian safety and beautify the corridor. Traffic congestion on Firestone Boulevard often exceeds available capacity, making it difficult for motorists to travel to and from home, work, school or other destinations without traffic delays. As the sole east-west arterial that spans the entire City of South



Conceptual Rendering

Gate, Firestone Boulevard is heavily transited by residents and serves as a regional corridor for neighboring cities; sometimes exceeding 77,000 vehicles per day near the I-710 highway. The Boulevard Project is a multifaceted infrastructure improvements program that will address an array of challenges facing the Firestone Boulevard corridor, from Alameda Street to Annetta Avenue and from Rayo Avenue to Firestone Place. The project will significantly enhance Firestone Boulevard by increasing the overall number of lanes from four to six; synchronizing traffic signals; adding landscaped and hardscaped raised medians; and adding aesthetically pleasing features. Construction of the project will be completed by Summer 2019. Visit www.theblvdproject.com to learn more, check on our progress, and get on our mailing list to be notified of important news and future projects. For questions, please call (833) NEW-BLVD / (833)639-2583.

RESOURCES FOR YOUR BUSINESS

Free Business Workshops

Offered by the:
Small Business Development Center

All workshops are held at:
El Camino College
13430 Hawthorne Blvd.
Hawthorne, CA 90250

Marketing 101

August 9th at 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Business Plan Overview

August 14th at 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Business Loans 101

August 15th at 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm


More Info: 1-866-588-7232
smallbizla.org

 **South Gate
Chamber of Commerce**
Business Resource Center
(323) 567-1203
www.southgatecc.org


 **Tweedy Mile Business
Association**
(323) 564-8233
www.tweedymile.org

 **Business License/
Special Event Permits/
Change of Ownership**
(323) 563-9527
www.cityofsouthgate.org

 **HubCities Consortium**
One-Stop Career Center
(323) 586-4700
www.hubcities.com

 **Bulky Item Pick-Up**
(800) 774-0222

 **Report Illegal Dumping**
(323) 357-5802

 **Report Graffiti Hotline**
(800) 430-8455