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## **Get a Jump on Spring Cleaning with Free Disposal of Household Chemicals!**

*Unincorporated San Diego County Residents are Encouraged to use Ramona's  
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility*

**San Diego County, CA** – Spring is just around the corner! As spring cleaning projects get underway, the County of San Diego and I Love A Clean San Diego would like to remind unincorporated County of San Diego residents to use the County's no-cost Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility in Ramona to properly dispose of household chemicals. Many chemicals used in the home may be hazardous to people, pets or the environment, and should not be thrown in the trash or dumped in sewers or storm drains.

**What is considered household hazardous waste?** Left-over products labeled with "Caution, Warning, Danger, Poison, Toxic, Flammable or Corrosive" are considered hazardous waste. These include common household items like furniture polish, disinfectants, pesticides, automotive fluids, oven cleaner, latex and oil based paint, aerosols, lighter fluid, and pool chemicals.

Proper disposal of your unwanted cleaning products and other chemicals is free and easy!!! The Ramona facility is located at the Ramona Disposal Services site at 324 Maple Street, Ramona, CA 92065. This facility also accepts at no cost to unincorporated residents, unwanted electronic waste items like cell phones, cordless phones, computers, TVs, printers, scanners, fluorescent light bulbs, stereo equipment, thermometers, VCRs, DVD players, and all types of batteries including car batteries. Not an unincorporated resident or looking for something closer? The new and improved recycling and waste disposal resource, [WasteFreeSD.org](http://WasteFreeSD.org), can refer you to the closest collection facility based on your zip code.

The Ramona Facility is open on the first and third Saturday of each month by appointment only. The facility cannot accept ammunition, explosive or radioactive material, large appliances or tires. Residents are required to bring proof of residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill, which shows they live in the unincorporated area of San Diego County.

To make an appointment to drop off waste, or for more information about recycling and waste disposal, call the County of San Diego's bilingual hotline, managed by I Love A Clean San Diego at 1-877-R-1-EARTH (1-877-713-2784) or visit the newly redesigned one-stop recycling resource, [WasteFreeSD.org](http://WasteFreeSD.org).

*I Love A Clean San Diego is the go-to organization for programs that enhance and conserve the local environment. Through recycling, education and cleanups of our most beloved areas, I Love A Clean San Diego is the only community-based organization dedicated to the future of the entire county – from inland to the coast, in every community, for generations to come. For more information, visit [www.cleansd.org](http://www.cleansd.org).*

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