

# Tips for a smooth move out

## Reduce

- **Stop purchasing items that you use infrequently.** Common items in the trash during move out include partially used condiments, cereal, pasta and other packaged food.
- **Pack up and move early.** Pack items that you don't use every day and move them early (like Mother's Day or Memorial Day Weekend). Moving items early means the rest of your stuff has a better chance of fitting into your car in June.
- **Participate in Slug Garage Sale weekend June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017.** Hold a garage or yard sale with the rest of the off campus slugs! Sign up for and promote your sale online at:  
[Cityofsantacruz.com/garagesales](http://Cityofsantacruz.com/garagesales)

## Reuse

- **Swap items with your friends.** Hold a swap party with friends and trade or give away the clothing, books or household items that you no longer need or want.
- **Swap items online.** Visit web sites like Craigslist and Freecycle to swap or sell items locally.
- **Donate what you can.** Local non-profit organizations redistribute used items and non-perishable food to the community.
- **Take the rest home.** It is illegal to leave items on the street and can create an environmental hazard. Please take your belongings with you when you move.

## Recycle

- **Recycle early.** Recycle carts overflow during move out, so clear out extra papers and accumulated bottles and cans early or visit a local recycling drop off center for any additional recycling. See the [Curbside recycle Guide](#) to find out what you can recycle in your blue recycling cart.
- **Recycle household hazardous waste responsibly.** To recycle household chemicals like bathroom cleaners, nail polish, full aerosol cans, bleach, disinfectants and a whole list of other items go to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 605 Dimeo Lane. Open Saturdays 7:30AM-3:30PM. For more information call 831-454-2606
- **Mattress and box spring recycling.** You may deliver mattresses and box springs to the Resource Recovery Facility, 605 Dimeo Lane for recycling at no charge. There is a limit of 5 items per visit.

## Landfill

- **Unusable or broken household items go in the trash.** If you have broken household items, perishable foods, bathroom items that are not fit to donate or are non-recyclable and will not fit in the trash can, take them to the Resource Recovery Facility at 605 Dimeo Lane (3 miles north of town) or call Customer Service 420-5520 for an extra trash pickup for a fee.
- **Unusable large bulky items collection.** Sign up will open on 5/22/17 for the bulky item collection day - Saturday 6/24/17. Bulky item (couch, chair, mattress, etc) pick up is available to USCS students at no charge. [Register Here](#). Registration closes 6/21/17. If you can't make that date you can schedule a pick up through the end of July for a small fee.