



Local Recycling Company Donates 20,000 Masks to Oakland, San Jose to Support COVID-19 Fight

To support the Bay Area's ongoing fight against COVID-19, California Waste Solutions (CWS) will donate 20,000 protective masks to the cities of Oakland & San Jose to support organizations and other frontline responders facing a critical shortage.

"As we closely monitor developments and prioritize the safety of our employees, we cannot ignore the growing need of support for organizations and first responders on the frontline. As a provider of vital public services, and a business with local roots, providing support to elected and community leaders in this challenging time is just as imperative. Through our collective work, we will flatten the curve and end the impacts of this health crisis in our community," said **CEO David Duong**.

San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo said, "Amid the severe hardships felt throughout our San Jose community, it's heartening to see a great community partner like CWS step up to support our first responders' efforts to protect our 1.1 million residents."

"I'm so thankful for all of our dedicated front line workers who are helping our community in this pandemic. And - they deserve more than thanks, they also need tangible support including proper personal protective equipment (PPE). A lack of adequate PPE has worsened this crisis, and put workers and our community at greater risk," said **Oakland City Council President Rebecca Kaplan**. "I'm very grateful for the commitment of local business leaders in our community - of the Duong family and California Waste Solutions - who took action to obtain needed protective masks for our first responders and other necessary workers, and to get them here to protect our community."

San Jose Councilmember Sergio Jimenez said, "During this unpredictable time, California Waste Solutions is supporting our community and proving that we are truly in this together. Their donation of 10,000 masks to San Jose will protect not only our invaluable and brave first responders, but also the lives and well-being of our city's residents. I am proud we have a trustworthy and generous community partner in CWS."

Oakland Vice Mayor Larry Reid said, "I am beyond thankful to the California Waste Solutions for their donation of critical protective equipment during this difficult time. These essential items will be extremely helpful to organizations in my district and throughout the city still providing essential services."

"The lack of PPE has put our community in danger and that is why the California Waste Solutions' donation of 20,000 masks to the Cities of Oakland and San Jose is so crucial. I am so grateful that California Waste Solutions took the initiative to acquire the much needed PPE for our first responders, and essential workers. It is during



these unprecedented times that donations from local companies are so vital to the community,” **said San Jose Vice Mayor Chappie Jones.** “Thank you to the Duong family and California Waste Solutions for your generosity and continued commitment to our community. I can only hope that this encourages other local business leaders to donate PPE, as we all work collectively to flatten the curve in the weeks to come.”

California Waste Solutions provides residential & commercial recycling collection and junk pick up services in the cities of Oakland and San Jose. Deemed an essential service, California Waste Solutions has successfully maintained its operations in both cities since the COVID-19 pandemic began. For more information, visit www.calwaste.com