

# 2001-2005 Recycling Systems

## Horizons – Marina District

555 Front St. / 510 First Ave. San Diego, CA 92101

### Overview

The 211-unit Horizons-Marina District Condominium Community, located between Front, Island, 1st, & Market in downtown San Diego, consists of two 25-story towers with townhomes and commercial units bordering the periphery.

Recycling was envisioned from Horizons' first occupancy in 2001 and was made possible by the combined efforts of the developer, management, the Homeowners Association (HOA) with its Recycling Committee, and the waste services company.

During 2005, although under no mandate to recycle, Horizons' dedicated residents voluntarily diverted over 20 tons of recyclables destined for landfills.

This not only benefited the environment, it netted the HOA thousands of dollars in reduced disposal costs. Because the waste services company earns revenue from recyclables, it charges substantially less for recycling pick ups than trash pick ups.

2006



RECYCLER OF THE YEAR



In May 2006, in recognition of its efforts in 2005, Horizons became the first multifamily complex to be honored by the City of San Diego Environmental Services Dept. with a "Recycler of the Year" Award.



### 2006 Recycling Awards Ceremony (l-r)

Elmer L. Heap, Jr. (San Diego City Environmental Services Director); Bob McGowan (Horizons Asset Manager, Urban Property Services); Tehmi Walton (Vice President, Horizons Board of Directors); Jack Murray (Horizons Recycling Committee); Donna Frye (San Diego City Councilmember).

### DID YOU KNOW WE RECYCLE AT THE HORIZONS?



What?

Newspaper

Where?

Blue Baskets  
(on each floor)

Glass, aluminum, plastic,  
cans, & mixed paper

P1 - trash rooms  
(blue dumpsters)

Cardboard

P1 - trash rooms  
(our new dumpster)

Thanks for your help.  
Recycling Committee, Horizons

Flyers mounted inside Refuse Room closets on each residential floor inform residents of their recycling options. Each closet has a blue basket for newspapers. Residents carry other recyclables to the Garbage & Recycle Rooms beneath each tower.



Each Refuse Room closet has a 7-gallon blue recycle basket for newspapers and a 50-gallon trash bin.



Newspapers and trash are transported by janitorial staff to the Garbage & Recycle Rooms beneath each tower.



Beneath each of the twin towers, on Parking Level 1, is a large, dedicated Garbage & Recycle Room.



Each Garbage & Recycle Room contains a 3-cubic-yard Trash compactor capable of compressing 9 cubic yards of household trash.



Each Garbage & Recycle Room also houses a 4-cubic-yard Recycle Dumpster. Janitors deposit newspapers from the Refuse Room closets, but all other recyclables are transported here by hundreds of residents committed to recycling.



Each Recycle Dumpster has decals with pictures of acceptable recyclables and names in English and Spanish. On average, both dumpsters are filled and emptied twice per week, which translates into over 20 tons of recycled materials per year.

To see the Recycling Renovations made in 2006, please visit

[www.maxlearning.net/horizons-recycle.htm](http://www.maxlearning.net/horizons-recycle.htm)

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