



Stephens Farmhouse

We're surrounded by recycling opportunities, but we often just don't know how to go about it. Take Cherie Stephens of Stephens Farmhouse, on Route 99. With six flavors of scrumptious cookie dough, she knew that they were helping schools and churches with their much appreciated fundraisers. Cherie suspected, though, that the thousands of plastic clamshells in which their product was packed were not the best for the environment.

Cherie's not alone. Businesses of all kinds and sizes are channels for paper and plastic products that eventually go into what's called the waste stream. As we know, the waste stream can be larger or smaller, and better for the environment, or worse. While our ordinary way of doing business sometimes isn't best for the environment, sometimes it's not to our own advantage, either. What to do, though? Who thinks they can get on the internet and figure it all out? And who wants to spend more money?

Recology offers what's called a "waste audit", and it's absolutely free for any business owner in Yuba and Sutter Counties. What's a waste audit? It's an analysis of the "product stream" of your business: the materials you're buying and using, the end-products you're producing, and the waste that typically ends up in the landfill. A Recology representative visits you and learns about your business, and then gives you insight into how you

Cherie called the Recology waste reduction specialists for help!

might do things differently. In many cases, you operate in ways that send much less waste to the landfill. And in many cases, this good result is accompanied by cost savings or greater convenience that you couldn't have imagined. (You can also learn ways to "pre-cycle", which means to prevent waste from being produced in the first place.)

Take the case of Stephens Farmhouse. They were doing all the right things, making lots of money for good local causes, and making lots of people smile with their all-natural, individually scooped cookie dough that goes straight from the freezer to the oven. Cherie

knew, though, that Mother Earth was not exactly smiling - and was maybe even wearing a bit of a frown! Watching those thousands of plastic clamshells go out the door, she knew there might be a better way... but didn't know what that might be.

Fortunately, Cherie did what we wish everyone would do. She called



Jackie Sillman at Recology to see if she had any ideas. And she sure did! With Jackie's knowledge and guidance, the two ladies came up with a new design for the containers Cherie was using, that were now made of recycled paper. Not only was the new container perfect (and even better) for her product, but the landfill was spared the burden of an endless stream of clamshells.

The bottom line? Think green. And get in touch with Jackie! (530-749-4220, jsillman@recology.com)

For more information about the Yuba-Sutter Curbside Recycling Program call Recycling Coordinator Jackie Sillman at 749-4220 or visit YubaSutterRecycles.com

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Everyday Public Dumping Hours
7:00 am to 4:30 p.m.

Buy Back Center Hours
Tues-Fri: 7:30 am to 2:00 p.m.
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Business Recycling Has It's Rewards

Often it is said that the solution to many environmental problems is for all of us to do what we can as individuals. This philosophy applies to small and large businesses dealing with solid waste just as much as it applies to individuals putting their family's recyclables at the curb each week. The Yuba-Sutter Curbside Business Recycling program makes it easy and financially rewarding to do so. The Curbside Business Recycling program is designed to encourage commercial customers to improve their recycling efforts by offering them incentives to recycle. Incentives are in the form of cash. Once selected, if the contents of the containers are all recyclable items, that business wins \$100! If you want to start a recycling program at your business, call Jackie Sillman, Recycling Coordinator at 749-4220 for a free waste audit.

Door-to-Door HHW Program

Can't Make It To The HHW Facility?

We are now offering a new PILOT Program - Door-to-Door Home Collection of Household Hazardous Waste for residents of Yuba & Sutter Counties.

Thanks to a grant from CalRecycle, the Regional Waste Management Authority and Recology Yuba-Sutter are able to offer a limited number of appointments to pick up many household hazardous wastes at your door. You must be at home when the waste is picked up.

To use this program, make a list of the types and amounts of waste that you have, and then call 743-6933 or visit our web site at www.recologyyubasutter.com



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