



**In 2021, trash will be handled differently in Santa Barbara County.**

Santa Barbara County is now home to a cutting-edge waste management facility, the ReSource Center. This facility includes a state-of-the-art Materials Recovery Facility to sort recyclables and trash and an Anaerobic Digester to process organic waste. Together these operations will recover more than 85% of our waste and also generate green energy to power the facility and parts of our community. Furthermore, the ReSource Center will significantly reduce our region's greenhouse gas emissions and produce nutrient-rich compost for local land application.

Santa Barbara County Public Works is proud to collaborate with our local city partners and county residents to demonstrate innovative environmental leadership and responsible waste management. We are excited to welcome this facility next year and for our community to experience the benefits of a cleaner, more sustainable future.

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

**Resource Recovery &  
Waste Management Division**

*Innovative Environmental Solutions*



Visit Santa Barbara County's Recycling Resource:

**[www.LessIsMore.org](http://www.LessIsMore.org)**



*Construction progress as of September 2020 of the Anaerobic Digestion Facility at the ReSource Center.*



**Reduces Waste**

Diverts an additional  
60% of waste  
from landfill



**Reduces GHG  
Emissions**

Removes emissions  
equivalent to 28,668  
cars annually



**Generates**

**Renewable Energy**

Annual renewable  
energy generated to  
power 2,000 homes



**Improves Air Quality**

Captures methane gas  
and generates  
electricity with clean  
burning gas engines



**Meets or Exceeds  
State Mandates**

Vital to achieving state-  
mandated GHG  
emission reductions



**Creates Jobs**

Creates nearly 100  
permanent living  
wage jobs