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.
Reduces Waste
Diverts an additional 60% of waste from landfill

Improves Air Quality
Captures methane gas and generates electricity with clean burning gas engines

Reduces GHG Emissions
Removes emissions equivalent to 28,668 cars annually

Meets or Exceeds State Mandates
Vital to achieving state-mandated GHG emission reductions

Generates Renewable Energy
Annual renewable energy generated to power 2,000 homes

Creates Jobs
Creates nearly 100 permanent living wage jobs

For more construction and operation updates, check out www.LessIsMore.org/ReSourceCenter.