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Subject: CITY HOSTING FREE ADVANCED RECYCLING WORKSHOP

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MARTINEZ – Wednesday, July 28th –6 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. – The City of Martinez is hosting a free advanced recycling workshop focused on what goes into your recycling, organics, and trash carts.

Proper recycling and keeping organic materials out of the landfill are some of the most important practices you can do for our environment. Do you wonder why some items are not wanted in the recycling bin? Confused about plastic recycling? Are you curious what goes in the organics cart? Come learn how proper recycling and organics disposal are related. Come discover how this knowledge makes you an informed and empowered citizen in your community.

Good Reasons to Attend

Preventing unnecessary waste is an important goal for all of us. Did you know that the number one single item in our garbage is food scraps? And a lot of that food being thrown away is edible. Did you know that almost 24% of what is in the average Martinez garbage can are recyclable bottles, cans, and paper? Yard trimmings combined with food scraps, and basic recyclables equal more than 78% of the total waste from Martinez homes. Knowing this means there is a great opportunity to divert valuable materials away from landfills and into recycling and composting programs.

The workshop instructor, Todd Sutton, aka The Waste Sleuth, is a waste prevention expert with almost three decades in the environmental field. He has appeared on national television, including Discovery and the History channels, and has educated thousands on sustainable materials management, zero waste concepts, waste prevention, reuse, recycling, and composting.

Be a Winner – Attend a Free Workshop

By attending this free workshop, you will have the opportunity to enter a drawing for the chance to win a \$50 gift card to a local garden center. Everyone is a winner – by learning how to properly recycle at home and work we all win, because we are part of the solution to help keep our environment healthy.

Do Not Hesitate

Register now by visiting this webpage: <https://tinyurl.com/3bfny5wm>.

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