



Have a Safe and Sustainable Fourth of July

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SYLMAR, Calif. (June 29, 2018) – The summer is in full swing, and this July 4th weekend, the Sunshine Canyon Landfill team is encouraging the community to incorporate safety and environmental responsibility into holiday festivities with these practical tips:

1. The safest way to dispose of used and unused **fireworks** is to submerge them in water before disposal to mitigate the risk of fire, and to prevent littering.
2. After a cookout or backyard barbeque, be sure to allow **charcoal** ashes to safely and completely cool. Once completely cool, wrap the ashes in aluminum foil and safely dispose of them in a trash container.
3. Careful **meal planning** and mindful grocery shopping can help curb food waste. Stick to a shopping list, and send leftovers home with guests to further reduce food waste.
4. Consider using **washable serveware** whenever possible, or use environmentally friendly, disposable serveware, such as products made from ecofriendly, biodegradable or recycled material.
5. Always make sure your recyclables are **EMPTY, CLEAN** and **DRY** before tossing them in the recycling container. Remember:

- **Empty:** Remove any remaining food or liquid contents from your recyclable item before placing it in a recycling container;
- **Clean:** Lightly rinse the recyclable item to remove any remaining residue; and
- **Dry:** Gently shake out excess water or let the recyclable item air-dry before placing it in a recycling container.

By using the tips above, we can all do our part to celebrate this Fourth of July safely and responsibly. From all of us at Sunshine Canyon Landfill, have a safe and sustainable Independence Day!

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