



CALIFORNIA MATTRESS COLLECTION EVENTS

Overview

Each year, MRC provides a limited number of collection events with an emphasis on servicing economically disadvantaged areas, rural communities and locations where permanent collection infrastructure is limited. Whether you dedicate your event to mattress and box spring collection, or want to add these items to a pre-established event for other waste, MRC can provide a turn key solution.

Eligible Event Hosts

- **Municipalities** such as cities and counties.
- **Waste Collectors** such as landfills, transfer stations and municipal yards.
- **Community Influencers** such as civic groups, nonprofit organizations, or public institutions/facilities that have access to large paved parking lots.

What MRC Provides

- Assistance with event promotion
- A 53-foot trailer for holding collected mattresses
- Labor to load mattresses (where available)
- Transportation
- Mattress recycling

Which items are accepted and not accepted by the program?

Most mattresses and box springs discarded by California residents are eligible for the recycling program. Mattresses from out of state are ineligible.

We are unable to accept:

- Severely damaged, wet, twisted, frozen or soiled mattresses or box springs
- Items infested with bed bugs
- Mattress pads or toppers
- Sleeping bags
- Pillows
- Car beds
- Juvenile products such as carriages, baskets, cribs, bassinets, dressing tables, strollers and playpens or their pads
- Infant carriers, lounge pads or crib bumpers
- Water beds or camping air mattresses
- Fold-out sofa beds, futon frames/bases
- Furniture

More than 5 million mattresses have been recycled by the Mattress Recycling Council's Bye Bye Mattress program.

Giving residents a no-cost option to dispose of their mattresses helps mitigate illegal dumping.

Contact MRC today to be connected to the program coordinator in your area.

Participation Requirements

- Make request for event at least 60 days prior to the event date
- Complete the online form and agree to MRC's Terms & Conditions
- Provide a collection location accessible to a 53-foot trailer (special accommodations can be made for remote locations)



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Event Host Interest Form:

<https://mattressrecyclingcouncil.org/collection-site-or-event-host/>



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Event Hosting Responsibilities, Requirements & Logistics Frequently Asked Questions:

How can I get a mattress collection event in my community?

Submit your interest [here](#) and an MRC Program Coordinator will contact you to assess eligibility and discuss event logistics. Event approval is subject to the availability of MRC's service providers and are approved on a first-come, first-served basis.

How far in advance of my event should I contact MRC?

MRC requires at least 60-days' notice to coordinate event promotion, labor and transportation resources.

What type of promotional assistance do you provide?

MRC provides event hosts with a media alert, social media guidelines, printable flyers and event day signage. All events are posted on ByeByeMattress.com and promoted on the program's Twitter and Facebook pages. Please see the [Event Host Toolkit](#) for details.

Am I only limited to one event or can I arrange a series of collection events?

MRC provides events to communities throughout California. To maximize our coverage, most entities will be limited to one event per year. Special accommodations can be made for economically disadvantaged, rural and underserved communities.

How much space is required for the mattress collection event?

The amount of space required is dependent on anticipated number of participants and per unit limitations on participants. Most events will need to have sufficient space to park a 53-foot trailer, unloading lanes and vehicle queuing so any backlog does not affect local roads or traffic.

Am I limited to one trailer per event?

MRC provides trailers and staffing based on the expected number of mattresses. A 53-foot trailer holds up to 150 mattresses and/or box springs.

Should we limit the number of mattresses and box springs residents bring to the event?

Yes. MRC recommends establishing a maximum number of mattresses per vehicle, per day.

Can I provide my own labor?

Providing your own labor to load units will increase our ability to provide events to your community. MRC can still provide at no-cost the trailer, transportation, recycling and promotion of your event.

What if I receive mattresses that are not acceptable for recycling?

Your MRC Program Coordinator will find disposal options for unacceptable mattresses.



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