



## Mini-Bin, Big Change Program FAQs

**Q: Why is my new landfill bin so small?**

A: A lot more waste items are now recyclable and by having a smaller landfill bin, we are diverting more of those recyclables from the trash. The mini-bin encourages proper recycling and its convenient size also makes it easier to carry to your nearest central waste station.

**Q: Will I be responsible for emptying my mini-bin?**

A: Yes, it is now your responsibility to empty your own mini-bin to the nearest central waste stations. Your blue recycling bin, however, will be emptied out by custodial staff as usual.

**Q: Won't the central waste stations be overflowing with more trash?**

A: The bins in your central waste stations have increased capacity. These centralized bins will be emptied more frequently, if necessary.

**Q: My mini-bin did not come with liners.**

A: The mini-bin does not require a liner. However, if you would like your mini-bin to have a liner they are available by asking Terri Warren.

**Q: Why are we making these bin changes?**

A: To increase our overall recycling diversion rate and to decrease the amount of waste going into landfills. Many campuses and universities such as Stanford, the University of Washington, and Duke have successfully transitioned into similar mini-bin programs to help in achieving their own goals of zero waste.

**Q: Why are we starting this program in my building?**

A: Your participation in this pilot program will teach us how we can best roll this program out to the main campus. Your feedback with any questions or concerns is very important to us.

**Q: Why is it important to recycle?**

A: Recycling protects our natural resources, prevents pollution, reduces our carbon footprint, and helps UCI reach its goal of becoming a zero waste university by 2020.

**Q: Where can I go to get more information on how to recycle?**

A: UCI's Sustainability Team has lots information on how to recycle. We post fun videos and blogs on our website <http://ucirecycles.wix.com/facilitiesmanagement>.

**Q: If I have questions about recycling or my mini-bin, who can I contact?**

A: The Sustainability Team would love to help, send us an email at [ucirecycles@uci.edu](mailto:ucirecycles@uci.edu) or give us a call at (949) 824-9097