Vacaville

"The American Spirit is Alive"



The Stroud family shown above (left to right) are Shelby, Michael, Alec, Lillian, and Trisha.

all the homes burning."

Michael Stroud served three tours in Iraq and Afghanistan as a sergeant in the US Army. After retirement, he moved his family to the quiet foothill community of Magalia just north of Paradise. The devastation he witnessed the morning of November 8 shocked even this seasoned war veteran.

"This was the worst experience of my life," Michael said. "Even in combat, I had never seen this much devastation and destruction. It hit so hard and so fast. It brought tears to my eyes to witness

Michael and his wife Trisha worked quickly to get their three children and family pets into vehicles. They then joined thousands of their neighbors who were fleeing the flames. The family took temporary shelter with family in Vacaville where they now are putting their lives back together.

"The response of the people here has been humbling," said Michael. "Trisha and I were both raised in Vacaville. People here reach out and ask how they can help. The American spirit is alive, and we are all keeping each other hopeful and strong."

The employees of Recology Vacaville Solano and Recology Dixon are some of



The remains of the Stroud home in Magalia after the fire struck on November 8. The Strouds were fortunate to escape with their children and pets, but, unfortunately, little else.

the groups to reach out to the Stroud family. Employees personally donated funds to provide much needed Christmas gifts, gift cards, and special holiday treats for the family. They personally delivered the gifts to the Stroud family just in time for the Christmas holiday.

"We are all so grateful to **Recology**," said Trisha Stroud. "These are amazing people doing amazing things to help. We are just humbled by everything they did to make this a great Christmas for our family."

Click paradiserotary.org or call Dean Fender 530-518-2173 to make tax-deductible donations to Camp Fire survivors.



The employee/owners of **Recology** Vacaville Solano and Recology Dixon passed the hat to purchase much needed clothing, gift cards, and other gifts for the family. Employees delivered the gifts just before Christmas.

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Vacaville Solano Dixon



New Regulation Help

Beginning this month, new regulations require that commercial customers who generate more than four cubic yards of waste must subscribe to both recycling service and organic service. Organic waste includes plant material either from landscaping maintenance or food preparation. Customers can comply to the law and help the environment by diverting waste from your trash container to your recyclables.

Check your invoice to determine the quantity of waste produced. If your service level is four cubic yards or above, then you must comply to the new regulation.

Waste Zero experts are available to you through **Recology**. These experts will help you comply with AB 1826 and other regulations. We will help you implement a customized program that works best for you. Get started by contacting us through recology.com or call us at 448-2945 in Vacaville or call 678-4026 in Dixon.

Assembly Bill 1826

- Adopted September 28, 2014.
- On and after April 1, 2016, businesses that generate 8 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2017, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2019, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- Returning organic materials to soils reduces greenhouse gases and conserves landfill space.
- Food is the largest single source (15.5%) of all waste in California.
- More than six million tons of food products are discarded in California landfills every year.
- The Recology compost facility has been converting food waste and green waste into rich organic compost for years.

learn more at calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/

We're Here for You

Jeremy Monma was living in Vacaville but working as a route driver for another company. One day he had a conversation with his neighborhood **Recology** route driver. Jeremy knew that **Recology** was the place for him.



Jeremy Monma

"I worked at a company with over 300 drivers,

and I only knew about 20," Jeremy explains.
"Here at **Recology** I know everyone. I had a job before–now I have a career."

Jeremy has only been with **Recology** for a year but has already shown that he is an exceptional employee.

"I enjoy my job and feel like I am making the community a better place for my family," says Jeremy. "Here everybody is part of a team."

Jeremy lives in Vacaville with his wife René, their 7 year-old son Lucas, and their 5 year-old son Cole. When not working Jeremy enjoys fishing in the delta and spending time with his family.

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