## Alternatives to Paper Phonebooks

There are several online alternatives to using paper phonebooks; they are all just as accurate and maybe even more helpful because not only do they lead you to business information, but they also lead you to the businesses' websites.

Search for hardware stores, restaurants, community centers, concert venues and more with the following online alternatives to paper phonebooks:

Search Engines:	Online Directories:	Residential:
Google	Yellow.com switchboard.com	whitepages.com
Bing	411.com anywho.com phonenumber.com	If you are really attached to the look
Yahoo	Yellowpages.com Yellowbook.com	of our Butte County Phone Book, check out this website: www.realpageslive.com
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Not near a computer? Or don't have internet?

For a small fee you can **call 411**, or for free\* options you can call **1-800-FREE-411** or try out **Google SMS**, a free texting service provided by Google. Text your search criteria and City and Google will reply with the answers (check out

http://www.google.com/mobile/products/sms.html#p=default for the tutorial)

\*Google does not charge any fees, but certain carriers might

## Why are these alternatives important?

## A few Facts:

- o More than 5 million trees are cut down each year to make phone books
- It costs tax payers over \$17 million a year to recycle these, and if they don't get recycled, they end up in the landfill

Stop receiving phone books at home:

www.yellowpagesgoesgreen.org/ and www.banthephonebook.org/

