# RECYCLING PROGRAM

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Residential recyclables are collected every other week on your regular refuse collection day. Recycling carts placed out on the wrong week will not be collected. All of your recyclables should be placed in your green cart (**with a blue lid**.) This is known as single stream recycling.

- Plastic bottles can be placed in your recycling cart, excluding oil, herbidice and pesticide containers. Containers should be rinsed out prior to placing them in your recycling container.
- Paper and cardboard can be placed loose in your recycling cart.
- Shredded paper should be placed in a paper grocery bag.
- Plastic grocery bags cannot be recycled in your cart but should be brought to a local retailer.
- Stretch foam, bubble wrap and styrofoam cannot be recycled. They must go in a garbage bag and be placed in your garbage container.
- Bottle glass is recyclable.

**DO NOT** put trash, pet waste, or yard waste in your green recycling cart. Carts containing this material will not be collected.

**WHAT IS SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING?**
Single stream recycling allows residents to put all their plastic, steel, glass and aluminum containers into one cart along with their paper and cardboard. A specialized Material Recycling Facility sorts this material, which can be sold and reused like we do now.

**WHY IS SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING BECOMING MORE POPULAR?**
Communities like single stream recycling because it is less expensive to provide an efficient collection system. Many communities achieve this efficiency by automating their collection services. An automated collection truck uses a mechanical arm to pick up and empty recycling carts. This eliminates truck and labor expenses. Residents like single stream recycling because it is more convenient to use one large cart instead of managing multiple bins and bags.

**WHO HAS SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING?**
All of Brown County has recently made the change to single stream recycling. Nationally about 40% of people have a single stream-recycling program.

**WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING?**
Single stream recycling is easier for residents to recycle than dual stream because they can use one cart instead of multiple bins. The carts are typically larger so you do not need to worry about excess material during the holidays or missed pick up days while on vacation. Larger carts with lids significantly decrease the amount of material that can blow around your neighborhood. Single stream recycling allows residents to put all their plastic, glass, steel and aluminum containers into one cart with their paper and cardboard.

**WHAT ARE THE DISADVANTAGES OF SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING?**
While savings are generally seen on the collection side of single stream recycling there can be an increased cost to sort material. Adding additional equipment and sometimes more sorters are necessary to properly sort the incoming paper and containers. Automated collection vehicles can be more costly and the new curbside carts are more expensive.

**SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING TIPS**

- Cut all large cardboard to fit in the cart
- Do not put plastic bags such as garbage bags, loose plastic grocery bags in your recycling container
- If necessary, to fit more material into your recycling cart, cut up boxes, flatten cans and plastic bottles
- Carts must still remain 6 feet away from any obstacle, including your garbage container.

**PROPER WAY TO PUT THE CART TO THE CURB**

The lid hinge should be on the side away from the curb so the arm of the truck can pick up the cart. The container cannot be overflowing or it will not be collected.

Please not that all material must fit inside the container with the lid closed. If the lid is raised at all with material showing, the container will be tagged and left for the resident to correct. The reason is that the contents fall out when they are serviced this way. Any material that is stacked around the container will not be picked up, nor will the container be dumped if the lid is closed with bags sitting on top of the container. This again will be tagged and left for the next service day.

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER ABOUT YOUR TRASH AND RECYCLE CONTAINERS -**

**VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL OWNS BOTH OF THE CONTAINERS-THEY ARE NOT OWNED BY INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTS. RESIDENTS ARE TO LEAVE THE CONTAINERS WITH THE HOUSE AT THE TIME YOU MOVE, AS THEY ARE TO REMAIN FOR THE NEXT OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY. PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE CONTAINERS FROM THE HOME. THANK YOU.**