

Curbside Recycling is Free and Easy

Effective April 2008, Youngstown City residents will be able to recycle MORE items. So fill up a recycle bin or two or MORE! Remember, if we all do our part, one person at a time and one home at a time; together as a City we can make a difference. Do your best to recycle and not throw away the materials listed below. Working together, we can minimize the damaging affects to our natural environment.

What is Recycling?

Recycling involves the separation and collection of used items which are usually referred to as trash and reprocessing them as “raw material” to manufacture new products. Some of the most common items that are in this process are paper, cardboard, glass, plastic, aluminum, etc.

Why is Recycling Important?

Recycling can save your tax dollars! Every pound of material that is recycled is a pound that the City won't have to pay to dispose of in a landfill. Reducing waste and increasing recycling volumes can help programs to run more efficiently and effectively.

Recycling benefits the local economy! Almost 16,000 people are employed in 1,500 local recycling businesses in the St. Louis Metropolitan Area. These include recycling collection; computer and electronics recovery; textile recycling; educational organizations; recycled product manufacturers and retailers; and aluminum, glass, paper, plastic, and steel recyclers.

Recycling saves energy! Placing 1 aluminum can in the recycling bin saves enough energy to power a television for 3 hours. Recycling 1 glass container saves enough energy to light a 100 watt bulb for 4 hours. Recycling one pound of steel will light a 60 watt bulb for 24 hours.

Recycling reduces pollution! Making products from recycled materials results in a reduction of air and water pollutants than would be generated by extracting and processing these materials from virgin materials. Recycling 4,800 16oz. soda bottles saves a cubic yard of landfill space.

Recycling conserves natural resources! If every American family recycled their newspapers, approximately 500,000 trees would be saved weekly. We save over 1 ton of resources from being mined for every ton of glass recycled.

What Can I Recycle at the Curbside?

Paper products, metal and aluminum cans, glass jars and bottles, and plastics #1-#7.

Click [here](#) to see a detailed list of what can be accepted at the curb.

Corrugated cardboard and paperboard are currently NOT accepted at the curbside, but they can be taken at your neighborhood drop-off site. We have over 40 drop-off sites in Mahoning County. Click [here](#) to find a drop-off site in your area.

Youngstown now has [Single Stream Recycling](#) – All items collected in one container.

Recycling is an important part of our effort to build a cleaner, greener Youngstown. Now it is easier than ever with SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING. Instead of separating your bottles, cans, jars and paper, you can now place all these items in one container for collection.

How Do I get a Curbside Bin for My House?

Use the form on this page to email us or call our office at 330-744-7526 to request your free bin be delivered to your door.

Recycling is good for you, good for Youngstown and good for the environment!