

A NEW PARTNERSHIP

Thank you for all you do to recycle in New Braunfels! Recycling is important for helping our environment and utilizing resources again instead of throwing them away. Last year, New Braunfels residents kept over 5,500 tons of recycling out of the landfill, a noteworthy amount. This extends the life of the landfill, which is estimated to have less than 20 years of space for garbage remaining. Once the landfill is full, disposal costs are likely to increase, meaning higher collection fees.

Effective August 1st, the City has a new processor that sorts the recyclable materials contributed by residents in the single-stream program. The processor is a key component of the journey that recyclables go on. The people, technology, and machinery involved to sort our recycling are what help ensure it actually gets recycled.

We all have to do our part! Clean and correct recycling makes sorting easier and contamination lower. This means a concentrated effort is needed to keep the wrong things out and the right things in our recycling.

Please read through this guide for information on how to make New Braunfels' recycling program the best it has ever been. Contact the City's Solid Waste and Recycling Division with any questions or clarifications.



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NEW BRAUNFELS RECYCLES



Let's all do our part!



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WHAT CAN I RECYCLE?

In New Braunfels, residents can recycle a wide range of household items and containers. Look at all that can go in the blue cart, all together! Remember to rinse containers and leave items loose, not bagged.

ACCEPTED ITEMS

- Plastic containers #1-7, less than five-gallon volume, with lids on.
Some examples include: milk jug, yogurt tub, shampoo bottle, water bottle, juice bottle, plastic food tray
- Clean, dry mixed paper:
Including newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, cereal boxes, phone books, envelopes, printer paper
- Cardboard: no larger than 18 inches by 18 inches and must be flattened
- Steel and tin: food and beverage containers
- Food-grade glass bottles and jars
- Aluminum cans and bottles
- Shredded paper in a paper bag, stapled shut
- Food and beverage cartons



WHAT CAN'T GO IN?

Trash in the recycling makes it more expensive. Plastic bags, hoses, and hangers get caught in the machinery that sorts recycling. Dirty items contaminate other recyclables and can render items not recyclable. Lumber and plants also cause issues for sorting recyclables properly.



PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Plastic bags, wrap, or film
- Foil, or foil containers
- Tissues, paper towels, or napkins
- Wires or cords
- Appliances or electronics
- Green Waste or other yard waste
- Styrofoam*
- Clothes hangers
- Hoses
- Pet food bags
- Mirrors
- Trash
- Ceramics or vases
- Drinking glasses
- Scrap metal*

*ONLY RECYCLABLE AT CITY RECYCLE CENTER - NOT FOR CURBSIDE CART RECYCLING.

HOW DO I RECYCLE?

Most residents put recycling in their blue, wheeled cart. Carts are often 96-gallon cart, but 48-gallon carts are available for households with smaller volumes. The drop-off location, the City Recycle Center, is available for anyone to bring recyclables.

CURBSIDE CART

The curbside cart is collected once a week, and the day of the week it is serviced is determined by where you live. All carts are the property of the City and are assigned to a specific address. Carts cannot be permanently marked or intentionally damaged. Cleaning of the cart is the responsibility of the resident.

Carts must be out at the curb, wheels at street edge, before 6:30 a.m. on the day of collection. If cart is placed within five feet of any obstruction, including vehicles, telephone poles, or mailboxes, it may not be serviced.

CITY RECYCLE CENTER

The City operates a drop-off location for recycling at 488 South Castell Avenue. All items in "Accepted Items" list are permitted, plus scrap metal and clean plastic foam #6, commonly called Styrofoam.

Open:

Tuesday to Saturday
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Closed:

Sunday, Monday, and
City holidays

