

Recycling is **MANDATORY** in the **City of Pittsburgh**, and good for the **environment!**

All Residents **MUST** separate recycle items from household trash and package them for recycling. Failure to do so may result in a fine (City Code 619). For recycling information, call the Recycling Division at (412) 255-2631 or visit the website at www.city.pittsburgh.pa.us/pw/html/recycling.html



NEWSPAPER



PLASTICS (1-5)



GLASS



METAL CONTAINERS



CARDBOARD



MAGAZINES



JUNK MAIL



PHONEBOOKS



PAPER



PAPERBOARD

RECYCLING Pick up at the curbside every other week *(no styrofoam, packaging foam)*

Place at curb no earlier than 7 p.m. on the night before collection and no later than 6 a.m. on the day of collection.

JOIN IN! SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING IS NOW CITYWIDE!

It's simple, convenient and cost effective. All residents can now participate in this program. Single Stream started in the Central and Eastern divisions on January 1 and starts in the Northern and Southern divisions on November 1, 2008.

Three easy steps to **RECYCLING**:

1. Simply place these items together in the same blue plastic bag:

- Plastic (1-5), glass and metal containers (rinse all containers)
- Newspapers,
- Magazines and catalogs,
- Paperboard (e.g. cereal boxes, milk cartons), and
- Office paper, mixed paper, phonebooks, junk mail, and hardback books.

2. Flatten corrugated cardboard in lengths & widths not exceeding 5 feet. Tie the flattened cardboard with string/twine or bundle them into another cardboard box. *(no styrofoam, packaging foam)*

3. Set blue bags of mixed items and corrugated cardboard away from the trash on the curb for pickup on your recycling collection day, every other week.

Then watch as the number of trash bags you use dwindle. The more we recycle, the less we landfill and the more resources and tax dollars we save.



Set recycling materials away from refuse.

RECYCLING Drop Off Drop off same items that are picked up at curb side (Newspapers, Plastic, Glass, Metal Containers, and Paper items)

YARD DEBRIS DROP OFF ONLY

CITY OF PITTSBURGH RESIDENTS ONLY
No charge for cars & SUVs; small fee for trucks and vehicles with trailers. Call for details. (proof of residency required)

- Leaves
- Grass
- Plants
- Tree Trimmings
- Branches
- Shrubs

loose or placed in paper bags (no plastic bags accepted)

CITY DOES NOT ACCEPT

stones, dirt, rocks, manure, garbage, lumber or food waste.

OTHER DROP OFF ONLY

TIRES

Limit 2

SCRAP METAL

(no Freon appliances)

To make arrangements to dispose of **Freon appliances** (refrigerators, dehumidifiers, air conditioners), contact [Construction Junction](http://www.constructionjunction.com) (412-243-5025) or [Appliance Warehouse](http://www.appliancewarehouse.com) (412-381-8800).

YARD DEBRIS, SCRAP TIRES AND SCRAP METAL DROP OFF CENTERS DROP OFF ONLY

Mon. thru Fri.
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
P.W. Drop-off Centers may offer Saturday hours. Call for details.

East End Center (412-665-3609)
Hazelwood Center (412-422-6524)
West End Center (412-937-3054)

REFUSE PICK UP - WEEKLY

Place at curb no earlier than 7 p.m. on the night before collection and no later than 6 a.m. on the day of collection.

Household trash

In addition to household refuse, crews will accept chairs, small TVs, bikes, small appliances, garden tools, end tables, ironing boards and roasters.

Place all refuse at the designated site on collection day in plastic bags or bagged and placed into a container not exceeding 35 gallons in size.

Wrap sharp objects (broken glass/ sharp metal) in heavy paper and place in a box reinforced with tape or string.

Place animal feces and litter in double plastic bags and place outside the refuse container.

CITY DOES NOT COLLECT carpeting installed by a professional, construction, building, explosive, medical, hazardous, infectious or flammable materials (i.e. propane tanks) as well as car and automobile parts, bricks, cement, glass blocks, or marble or stone countertops.

BULKY REFUSE ITEMS

maximum 2 items per week

Large items such as furniture, large appliances, stoves, mattresses, dryers, washers, toilets, hot water tanks, items from small renovation projects, and fencing in bundles not exceeding 35 pounds or 5 feet in length.

Special Pickups

Any excess material and other excessively large items above the two-item limit will NOT be collected unless special pickup arrangements are made in advance. A cost of \$100 for each half-hour applies to special pick-up. Call 412-255-2773.

CITY DOES NOT COLLECT

Freon appliances (refrigerators, air conditioners or dehumidifiers).

Place needles, syringes and lancets in a hard plastic container with a tight-fitting plastic lid, labeled as medical waste.

What we feed into our storm drains can poison our rivers.

You can help too. Use environmentally friendly lawn and garden products. Properly dispose of oil, paints and other household chemicals.

Drop-Off Center Locations & Hours

Public Works (P.W.) Drop-off Centers

FOR CITY RESIDENTS ONLY

All P.W. Centers are open Monday thru Friday (except holidays) from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

2nd Division P.W. - (West Homewood/East Liberty) on North Dallas Ave at Hamilton Ave
Tel: 412-665-3609

3rd Division P.W. - (Hazelwood)
on Melanchton Ave., off 5200 block of 2nd Ave
Tel: 412-422-6524

5th Division P.W. - (West End next to Herschel Field)
from Steuben St, turn on to Herschel St, turn right
onto Hassler St, go past salt igloo
Tel: 412-937-3054

Call P.W. Divisions for Saturday openings.



Strip District Drop-off Center

(Open 24 hrs) -

Also open to small businesses, bars and restaurants. Located at 30th & Railroad St (near the City's Tow Pound and the refuse collection offices - Environmental Services) **NO yard debris, scrap metal or tires please!**

Construction Junction Drop-off

(Open every day when CJ is opened)

Located in Point Breeze at 214 N. Lexington Ave off of Penn Ave (412) 243-5025

NO yard debris, scrap metal or tires please!

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING GUIDELINES

Why Should Residents Recycle?

Because recycling saves natural resources and energy.

- For every ton we recycle, the city saves \$25 in landfill fees and gains over \$40 in revenue.
- In 2007, the City saved over \$200,000 in landfill fees because we recycled.

Did you know?

The plastic bottles that we recycle are not just made into new bottles. They are also turned into plastic lumber for picnic benches, fabric, t-shirts, toys and more!

Additional Recycling and Disposal Information

Household Hazardous Waste

For information on the proper disposal or recycling of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) including paint and paint products, automotive fluids, solvents, household cleansers, and pesticides, contact the Southwestern PA HHW Task Force at **412.488.7452** or visit www.swpahhw.org.

"Hard to Recycle" Materials

Donate useable building materials such as lumber, kitchen cabinets, and windows to Construction Junction. Call **412.243.5025** or visit www.constructionjunction.org for more information, or call the City's Recycling Division at (412) 255-2631.



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November is Curbside Leaf Recycling Month

November 1-30, 2008

Grab your rakes; get paper leaf bags (ONLY) and pile those leaves in! For we'll be collecting leaves for recycling curbside, all the way thru Thanksgiving!

On your recycling day ONLY; Twice in the month of November, Just remember! **Unlimited yard paper bags** of leaves for recycling we'll collect curbside!

No glass, no plastic bags, or trash; they just risk being contaminants; No food, grease or fat (or other organics) either; for they just attract rodents!

Leaves in plastic bags (no more than 5 bags) will not be recycled, they will be landfilled.

Yard bags can be purchased at department and hardware stores.

Leaves will be composted into mulch at a licensed contractor site.

You may also take leaves to the Public Works Recycling Drop-off Center nearest you.