



CITY OF LA GRANGE



## RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

### WHAT WE RECYCLE

#### 1. NEWSPAPERS

Prepare **ONLY** unsoiled dry newspapers and color inserts. We also accept: Magazines, Junk Mail, Books, Paper Bags and Telephone Books. **KEEP NEWSPAPERS DRY.** Wet newspapers cannot be recycled. Sorting is recommended.

#### 2. ALUMINUM

Prepare **ONLY** rinsed food and beverage containers, including animal food cans.

#### 3. TIN CONTAINERS

Prepare **ONLY** rinsed food and beverage containers, including animal food cans.  
**NO AEROSOL CANS.**

#### 4. GLASS FOOD AND BEVERAGE CONTAINERS

Prepare **ONLY** rinsed bottles without caps and jars of any size or shape used to package food products suitable for human or animal consumption. No need to sort and no need to remove labels. Clear, green or brown glass will be accepted.

**NO LIGHT BULBS OR FLUORESCENT BULBS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

#### 5. PLASTIC BOTTLES

Prepare **ONLY** rinsed plastic bottles or jugs without caps:

#1 Clear or PETE (polyethylene terephthalate) such as soda or Gatorade containers.

#2 White or HDPE (high density polyethylene) such as milk containers, water containers, orange juice containers. Containers must be clean. Numbers/letters are located on the bottom of plastic bottles.

#### 6. SMALL CARDBOARD BOXES

Break down cardboard boxes such as cereal boxes, cake mix boxes, cracker boxes and soda container boxes. No waxed or plastic treated boxes will be accepted. **LARGE CARDBOARD BOXES** such as TV boxes, water heater boxes, and cooktop boxes will **NOT** be accepted and will be left at the curb.

#### 7. PAPER

Mixed paper and junk mail of assorted colors is accepted.

White paper, typing paper, notebook paper, computer paper, computer sheets and shredded paper is accepted.

Sorting as listed above is recommended.

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## **PREPARATION**

1. **REMOVE** and throw away caps and lids.
2. **RINSE OUT ALL CONTAINERS.**
3. **DO NOT PUT BROKEN GLASS IN CONTAINERS.**

## **COLLECTION - "BLUE CONTAINER"**

It's **EASY**

**A.** Place all prepared recyclable items in your "**BLUE CONTAINER**".

**B.** Place "**BLUE CONTAINER**" at the curb by **7:30 A.M.** on your garbage collection day. Please do not put out "**BLUE CONTAINER**" until your day of recycling.

**DO NOT PUT OUT WHEN RAINING. WET PAPERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

## **MAKE YOUR EFFORTS COUNT**

Certain items can actually contaminate the recyclables that are collected and make them unusable for recycling .... **PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:** ceramics, mirrors, window glass, china, light bulbs, oven ware, pyrex, headlights, fish tanks, flower pots, tissue paper & aluminum foil. Furniture, oil containers, TVs, water heaters and household plastics, such as toys & laundry baskets, will not be accepted. Bottles or cans that are not rinsed or are full of food or liquids will not be accepted.

**PLEASE DO NOT PUT RECYCLING BASKET OUT UNTIL THE MORNING OF YOUR RECYCLING DAY!**

**GIVE YOUR TRASH A FRESH START!  
QUESTION? CALL CITY OF LA GRANGE UTILITIES – 968-3127**