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'Tis the Season To Recycle!



The holiday season is here! It is a time that many celebrate with festive feasts, gift giving and a punctuated increase in our waste stream. ***From Thanksgiving to New Year's Day household waste will increase by an average of 25%!*** The EPA reports that common holiday items such as wrapping paper, and gift boxes will lead to an additional 1 million tons of trash in landfills weekly.

Recycling is the gift that gives. Recycling preserves landfill space, uses fewer natural resources, supports the economy, creates jobs, saves energy and helps to reduce the effects of global warming.

Give A RECYCLING Bin: Got that neighbor or relative that is hard to get a gift for? Get them a recycling bin for the holidays! They have always wanted to recycle but just have never gotten around to purchasing a bin. You can push them over the edge of environmental responsibility by giving them a gift-wrapped, bright yellow official City of Baltimore recycling bin! They will never forget you for it. You can now meet them curbside and chat over how little trash you have now that you both recycle! Besides, they never wanted you to get them that loud tie or ugly sweater anyway.

REDUCE YOUR HOLIDAY WASTE: Take reusable bags when you go shopping, send e-cards, or consider wrapping gifts in festive holiday fabrics that can be simply washed and reused next season.

Wrapping PAPER: Plain and tissue paper, paper tubes and boxes should go right in that new bin you have. If you have glossy paper, recycle it. It will still look bright next year. Metallic and wax-coated wrapping paper cannot be recycled so please don't buy it and if you get it, please put it in the trash. It should not go into our single stream recycling.

Most of all, have a safe, happy and enjoyable holiday with your family and friends!

Christmas and New Year's Holidays

In observation of the Christmas and New Year's Day Holidays, please note that there are no regularly scheduled trash & recycling collections. Citizens' Convenience Centers are closed and there will be no Mechanical Street Sweeping.

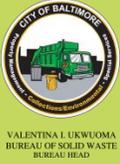
**Christmas Day (Observed):
Monday, December 26, 2016**



**New Year's Day (Observed):
Monday, January 2, 2016**



Recycling bins and lids can be purchased at 111 Kane Street, select Ace Hardware stores, and Falkenhan's Hardware.



Please don't use plastic bags!

You can use anything as a container for your recyclables **except** plastic bags. Many grocery stores and supermarkets will recycle plastic bags.



Acceptable and Unacceptable Recycling Materials

Acceptable Recycling Material:

- Aerosol Cans (empty)
- Aluminum: cans, beverage and food containers, foil (clean), and pie pans
- Bottles: narrow-neck bottles
- Cartons (waxed): used for a liquid such as juices, milk or soups
- Glass containers such as bottles and jars (brown, clear or green)
- Metal: beverage and food containers
- Plastic: bottles and jars
- Prescription bottles, including caps
- Steel: beverage containers and food
- Tin: cans and foil

Rigid Plastics

(to be taken to the citizen drop-off centers)

Rigid plastics include milk/soda crates, buckets, laundry baskets, children's toys, etc.

Unacceptable Recycling Material Examples:

- Cookware and plates (plastic)
- Containers of toxic substances -e.g., cans motor oil, pesticides, etc.
- Contaminated paper products -e.g., napkins, paper towels, and tissue
- Dry cleaning bags
- Glass (window and mirror)
- Waxed paper



Re^{♻️}minders



Leaf Collections to end Jan. 9th!

Leaf collection will end January 9th 2017. Residents may set out a maximum of 20 bags of leaves on special Monday collection days and must put leaves out in clear or labeled bags.

Citizens may also use our Drop-Off Locations to take bagged leaves at the following locations:

Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.:

1. Quarantine Road Convenience Center – 6100 Quarantine Rd.
2. Western Convenience Center - 701 Reedbird Avenue
3. Eastern Convenience Center - 6101 Bowleys Lane
4. Northwest Citizens Convenience Center 2840 Sisson Street

Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.:

Northwest Transfer Station – 5030 Reisterstown Road

Please call 311 to schedule a special Monday collection.

Mechanical Street Sweeping Program

Citywide Mechanical Street Sweeping is here! The Bureau of Solid Waste is working to make Baltimore City neighborhoods cleaner by sweeping the neighborhood **EVERY WEDNESDAY!** Please do your part to help make Baltimore cleaner and greener by moving your cars so street sweepers can provide a “clean sweep” of our streets.



Monthly Street Sweeping Schedule:

NW & SE Quadrants:

- Odd Sides 1st Wednesdays
- Even Side: 2nd Wednesdays

SW & NE Quadrants

- Odd Sides: 3rd Wednesdays
- Even Sides: 4th Wednesdays