



# It's easy to make a difference with **Organics Recycling**

**Sign up now to participate in the organics recycling program at no additional cost.**

More than one-third of our trash is organic material that can be put to better use through composting.

Materials accepted in the organics recycling programs include:

- All food scraps
- Non-recyclable paper like napkins, paper towels and pizza boxes from delivery
- Compostable products including certified-compostable plastics and coffee ground and filters
- Other compostable items, including coffee grounds, tea bags, pet hair and more!



Sign up now by calling 612-673-2917 or emailing [SWRcustomer@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:SWRcustomer@minneapolismn.gov)

Learn more at [www.minneapolismn.gov/organics](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/organics).

## Questions?

Call the City of Minneapolis Solid Waste and Recycling Office at 612-673-2917, or visit [www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort)

Should you require a reasonable accommodation in order to fully participate or information in an alternative format, please contact Minneapolis Solid Waste & Recycling at 612-673-2917 or [SWRcustomer@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:SWRcustomer@minneapolismn.gov)

People who are deaf or hard of hearing can use a relay service or call 311 at 612-673-3000. TTY users call 612-673-2157 or 612-673-2626.

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State law requires us to notify you annually that: You may be responsible for any liability that results from contamination where your waste is deposited. Minnesota believes that its waste management system provides substantially more financial and environmental protection than depositing waste in landfills in other states would provide. Managing your waste in Minnesota may minimize your potential liability.

Minneapolis delivers garbage to the Hennepin Energy Recovery Center (permit #SW-396). Construction materials accepted at the South Transfer Station are delivered to the Burnsville Sanitary Landfill (permit #SW-56).

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Remember to place batteries **on top of your recycling cart** in a plastic bag for recycling.

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# Minneapolis Recycles

## 2015-2016 Recycling guide



## Recycle in every room

In addition to recycling in the kitchen, remember to recycle items from your bathroom, laundry room, home office and bedrooms. Make sure everyone knows how to sort their waste by ordering free labels at [www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort)



# Minneapolis Recycles



## Thank you for recycling!

In 2014, Minneapolis residents recycled 25% of the total waste generated. This includes:

- More than 26,000 tons of paper, plastic, glass and metal.
- More than 15 tons of batteries.

Keep up the good work and make sure to recycle items included in this guide.

Find your recycling day at [www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort)

**Learn how to recycle more:** Visit our What to Do Guide at [www.minneapolismn.gov/solid-waste/whattodo](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/solid-waste/whattodo) or Hennepin County's Green Disposal Guide at [www.hennepin.us/greendisposalguide](http://www.hennepin.us/greendisposalguide)

## DO NOT INCLUDE:



Plastic bags • Syringes • Styrofoam™ • Garbage

## Do not put plastic bags in your recycling

Do not put empty plastic bags in your recycling cart, and do not put your recyclables in plastic bags. Plastic bags can be recycled at participating grocery and retail stores.



Do not put plastic bags in your recycling cart.



Place recycling loose in your recycling cart.

## Place these items in your blue recycling cart.

This guide does not include all recyclable items. Visit [www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/onesort) for more detailed information.

## Cartons

Rinse.

- Milk cartons
- Juice boxes
- Soup, broth and wine cartons

**NO:** Paper or Styrofoam™ egg cartons



## Metal

Rinse.

- Food and beverage cans
- Aluminum foil and trays
- Decorative tins and pie tins

**NO:** Paint cans or containers that held hazardous substances such as paint thinner and automotive fluids



## Paper

- Mail, office and school papers
- Magazines, newspaper and inserts
- Phone books
- Shredded paper in closed paper bags
- Books (with hard covers removed)

**Boxes:**

- Cardboard
- Cereal, cracker, shoe and gift boxes
- Refrigerated food boxes
- Toothpaste, medication and other toiletry boxes

**NO:** Paper ice cream tubs or coffee cups

## Glass

Rinse and leave lids on jars.

- Food and beverage bottles and jars

**NO:** Drinking glasses, window glass, ceramics or mirrors



## Plastics

Rinse and leave caps on.

**Bottles and jugs:**

- Water, soda and juice bottles
- Milk and juice jugs
- Ketchup and salad dressing bottles
- Dishwashing liquid bottles and detergent jugs
- Shampoo, soap and lotion bottles

**Cups and containers:**

- Yogurt, pudding and fruit cups
- Disposable cups and bowls
- Margarine, cottage cheese, and other containers
- Produce, deli and takeout containers

**Packaging:**

- Clear packaging from toys and electronics

**NO:** Plastic bags, Styrofoam™ or containers that held hazardous substances such as motor oil or antifreeze



## Cardboard Cans

Rinse.

- Chips, nuts and other snacks
- Frozen juices and refrigerated dough
- Powdered drink mixes and baby formula
- Powdered cleaners

**NO:** Automotive grease or wax containers



Place in bag **on top of cart.**

## Batteries

Tape the positive (+) terminal of lithium and lithium-ion batteries to prevent fires. Place in clear plastic bag and place on top of your recycling cart.

**NO:** Automotive batteries

