

## Dear Town of Lincoln Resident,

We look forward to servicing the residents of the Town of Lincoln and helping your community be as clean – and green – as possible. Waste Management is pleased to provide the following information in anticipation to upgrades in the services provided.

New enhanced recycling collection services will begin August 29, 2016. A summary of these improvements is outlined in this brochure. A more detailed brochure will be mailed separately and will include details of the Town's collection program as well as a collection calendar.

### New Recycling Collection Program

Beginning Monday, August 22, the process of delivering new 96-gallon recycling carts to residents will begin. It will take a week to complete the full delivery. The recycling cart will be used for single stream recycling only. These carts are the property of the Town and are to stay at the residence. Please do not use these carts until Monday, August 29, 2016. If you do not receive your new recycling cart by August 27 or have any other questions regarding this program, please contact Waste Management at (800) 972-4545.

Single stream recycling will be collected in the new recycling carts **every other week** on your current collection day. Solid waste will continue to be collected weekly at the curb. Every-other-week single stream recycling will begin the week of August 29th and on alternating weeks after that. Your recycling collection week will be determined by the lid color of the new cart delivered to your home. A color-coded collection schedule will be mailed to you the week prior to carts being delivered so you'll know if your recycling will be collected on a Green or Blue week.

Please see the adjacent panel to learn more about our Recycle Often. Recycle Right.<sup>SM</sup> program and which materials are acceptable for recycling in your new blue cart.

### Tips for the best service

- Make sure your 96-gallon recycling cart is at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day.
- Always keep the lid closed to keep rain, snow and animals out.
- Make sure all single stream recycling materials fit inside your cart with the lid closed.
- Only materials inside your recycling cart will be collected. Large cardboard boxes must be broken down and placed inside the cart.
- Since automated collection requires clearance for the vehicle's lifting mechanism, any cars parked at the curb should be at least 5 feet away from the carts. Carts should also be placed 3 feet from the curb with the arrows on the cart lids pointing towards the street.
- Use the handle provided to move the cart. Tilt the cart on its wheels to roll it. Remember that it's easier to pull the cart uphill and push it downhill.



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When Lincoln residents use **Recycle Often. Recycle Right.<sup>SM</sup>**, great things happen. By recycling everyday items like those shown below, tons of raw materials, time, energy and money are saved. Plus the recycled materials become new products – if you recycle an aluminum can today, it could be back on the shelf as a new one in 60 days – and the cycle continues.

- Place only the acceptable recyclables shown below together in your recycling cart – no sorting needed.
- Containers that held food should be rinsed free of food debris and liquid.
- Do not put recyclables in plastic bags.

Recycling will be collected every other week in your blue recycling cart.

Acceptable materials for curbside recycling include:

#### Always recycle:



Plastic Bottles & Containers



Food & Beverage Cans



Paper



Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard



Food & Beverage Cartons



Glass Bottles & Containers

#### Do NOT include in your mixed recycling cart:



NO Food Waste  
(Compost instead!)



NO Plastic Bags & Film  
(Find a recycling site at [plasticfilmrecycling.org](http://plasticfilmrecycling.org))



NO Foam Cups & Containers  
(Check [Earth911.org](http://Earth911.org) for options.)



NO Needles  
(Keep medical waste out of recycling. Place in safe disposal containers like Waste Management's MedWaste Tracker® box.)

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