



City of Tualatin



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SERVICES

Sustainability in Action

RECYCLE+

Expanded Recycling Service

Tualatin City Council

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RECYCLING



The process of collecting and processing materials that would otherwise be thrown away as trash and making them suitable for reuse.



Home and Business recycling collection is standardized across the region.

Recycling



Metal, paper, flattened cardboard, plastic bottles & round plastic containers

6oz or larger, empty & dry

✗ No plastic bags or wrap, lids, glass, garbage



Glass



Bottles & jars only, empty & dry

✗ No lids, lightbulbs, caps, ceramics, broken glass of any kind



Garbage



All garbage, including plastic bags, to-go containers, lids & packaging

✗ No TVs, computers, batteries, hazardous waste (flammables, paint, pesticides), syringes or medical sharps

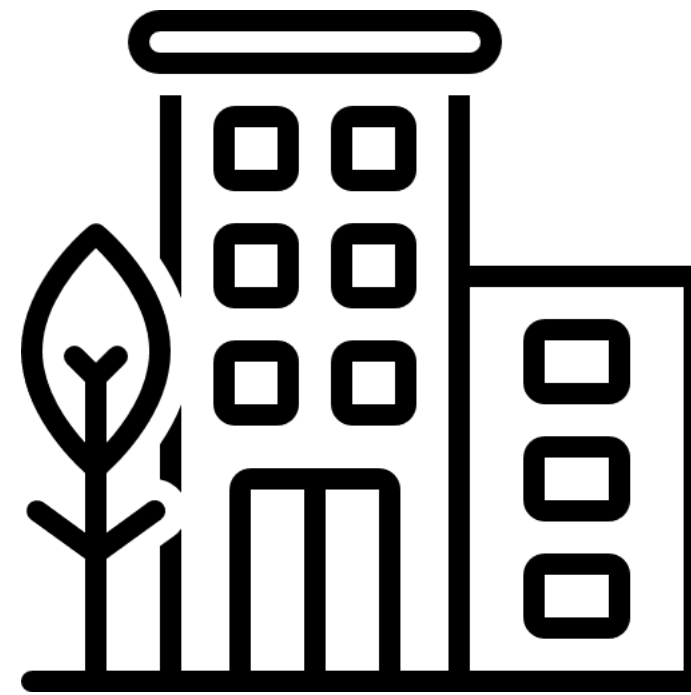


Solid Waste & Recycling in Tualatin is provided by Republic Services



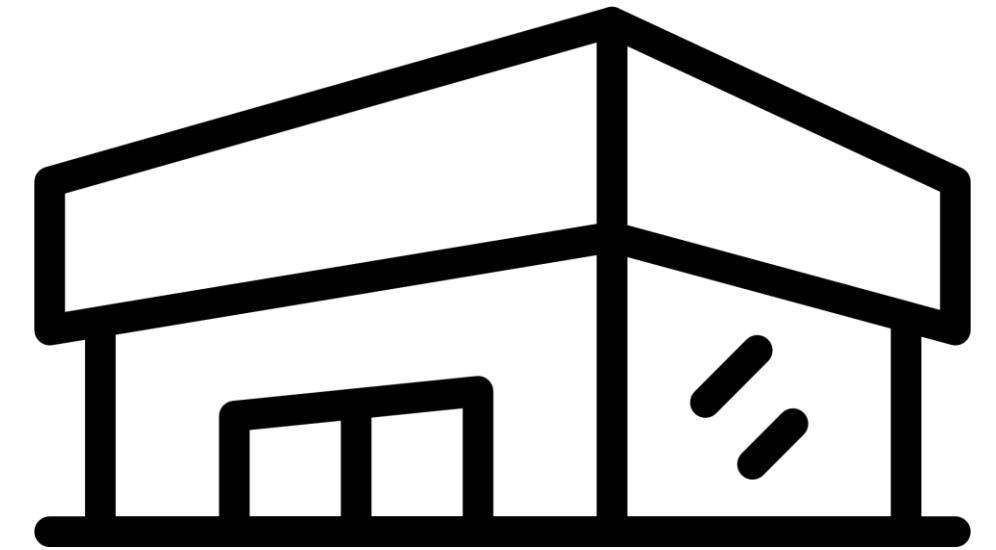
6,027

Residential
Customers



55

Multifamily
Customers



795

Commercial
Customers

CURRENTLY



Curbside recycling is a two-sort system where approved items are “commingled” (mixed) in one bin and glass items are collected in another.



Curbside
Recycling
Items

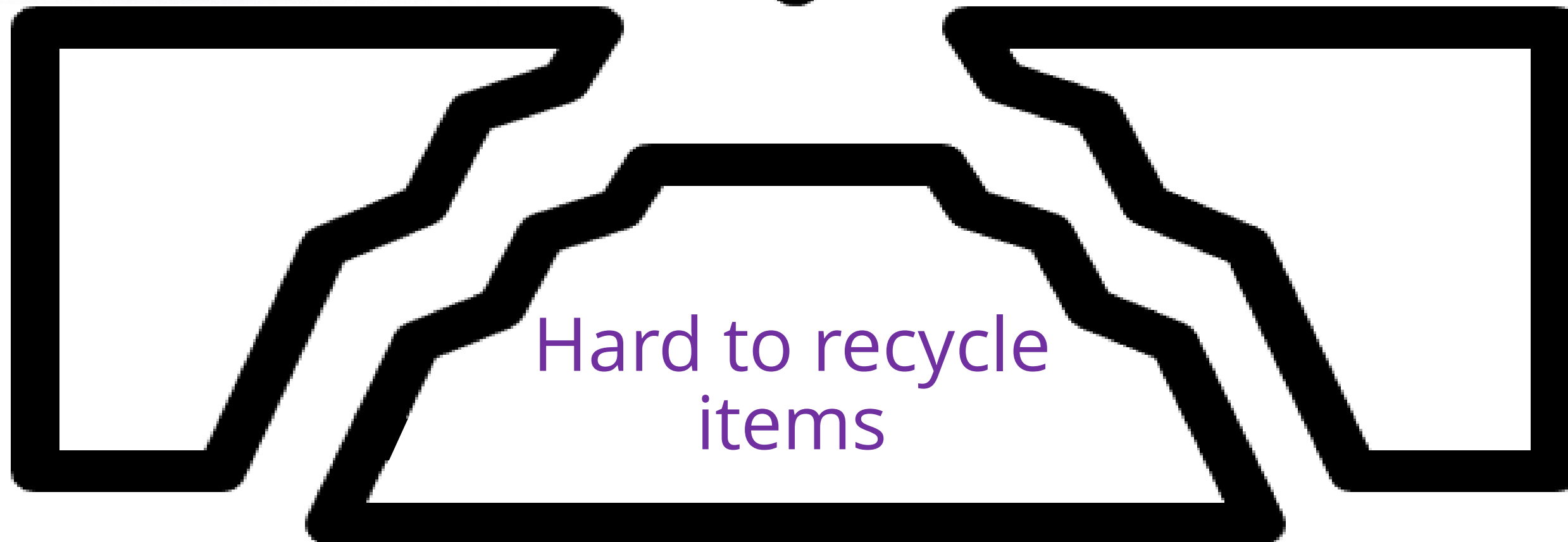
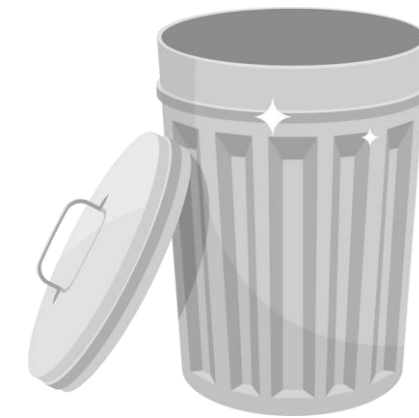
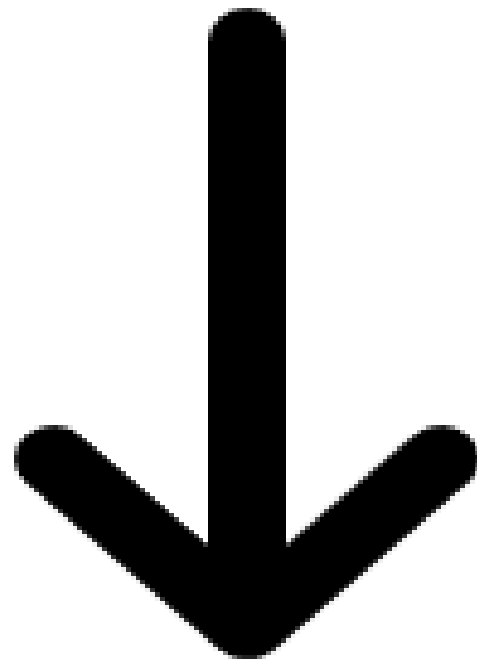


Markets
for
Recycling

WHY?

Processing.

How do we bridge this curbside recycling gap?



Hard to recycle
items

Ex: Hard to Recycle Items



Plastic bags
and
stretchy film



Get tangled in sorting
equipment



Plastic
"clamshells"
and takeout
containers



Made of different
"recipes" and often
contaminated



Polystyrene



Breaks apart

Examples: Hard to Recycle Curbside Solutions



Glass jars and bottles



Separate recycling bin just for glass



Yard and food waste



Separate cart



Batteries



Separate bag in placed in glass bin



Recycle+

A convenient curbside solution for responsibly recycling many hard to recycle items.



Stretchy plastic film/bags

- Plastic bags, produce bags, dry cleaning bags, plastic padded envelopes, plastic overwrap



Clear plastic #1 clamshell containers

- Egg cartons, fruit containers, bakery containers, take-out containers



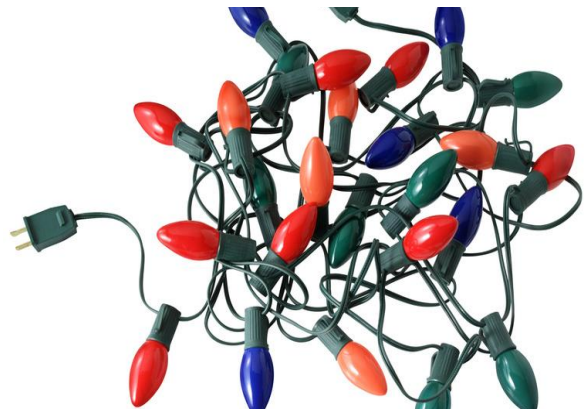
Textiles

- Bed linens, clothing, towels/rags



Compact fluorescent light bulbs

- Bulbs must be contained in a zip-sealed bag.



Special Seasonal Items

- String lights, gently used kitchen items, etc.

Special Collection Drives

Items Collected Quarterly for Reuse

All items must be clean and in good, ready-to-use condition. Wrap ceramic and glass items in paper to prevent breakage. Include the matching lids.



Include:

- Sauce and soup pots
- Saute and fry pans
- Baking sheets
- Pyrex ®
- Ceramic baking dishes
- Dutch ovens

Do not include broken or bent items, or those with cracks, scratches or worn-out surfaces.

Special Collection Drives

Items Collected Quarterly for Reuse

Include:

- Silverware
- Measuring cups and spoons
- Cheese graters
- Can openers
- Cutting boards
- Whisks
- Tongs
- Spatulas
- Mixing spoons
- Ladles
- Oven mitts



Do not include sharp knives that could injure collection workers. Ex. Chef's knife, steak knives, bread knife. Do not include dishes, small appliances and broken or rusty items.

**Ideas and suggestions are welcomed for future
Special Collection Drives**

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Recycle+ Service

For curbside pickup of hard to recycle items.

- + Optional and opt-in
- + Provided by Republic Services
- + Residential service available to single family homes through fourplexes
- + Adopted in urban unincorporated Washington & Clackamas Counties and the cities of King City, Durham, Beaverton, Sherwood, Tigard, and North Plains.
Lake Oswego and Wilsonville Starting Q-1 of 2024

Recycle+ Components

- + Monthly Rate, no subscription required
- + Two Pick-up Opportunities Monthly
- + Union CDL Drivers
- + Living Wages

Recycle+ Rates

- + Monthly base rate \$2.50
- + Pickup rate \$9.25
 - + Non-curbside pickup 5-150 feet (each): \$11.70
 - + Non-curbside pickup over 150 feet (each): \$12.02

Residents with a disability may qualify for non-curbside pickup at no extra charge.

Why offer Recycle+?



Optional service, only if it meets customers' needs and budget.

- Some customers willing and able to pay more for convenience
- Recycle+ service can be shared



Optional service provides opportunities while avoiding significant impacts to service costs across ALL Tualatin customers.



Environmental benefits of recycling and reuse.

- Climate Action Plan Strategy 7.5: Responsible Waste Management
- Council's 2030 Vision of being an environmentally active, sustainable, and forward-thinking community



Recycle+ service can begin in Tualatin immediately

- Aligns county educational materials and creates consistency



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We appreciate your time,
Thank you!

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