



You asked, We Listened!

Recycling Program Expanded & New Senior Citizen Discount!



WITH OUR CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM, YOU
CAN MIX RECYCLABLE PAPER, PLASTIC, METAL AND GLASS
IN YOUR BLUE RECYCLING CART - THERE IS NO SORTING REQUIRED

New Recycling Carts

- All residents receive a 65-gallon rolling recycling cart, free of charge, and can upgrade to a 95-gallon for no additional fee.
- These carts will be distributed in September to all homes receiving curbside recycling.
- While recycling remains voluntary, beginning in November, these carts must be used for recycling. Allied/Republic Services will be using automated trucks. The driver will be using a cart lifter to empty the recycling cart. The cart lifter is specifically designed for the company supplied carts and will not work with other recycling bins.
- After sixty days, if you find that the recycling cart is too small, please contact the village and they will supply a larger cart in its place at no cost.
- The materials accepted in the program are the same.

New Senior Citizen Discount

The Village would like to announce the creation of a 15% Senior Citizen Discount for single-family residences where the principal resident of the home is aged 65 or older. This discounted waste removal rate helps our senior citizens living on a fixed income while the cost of living continues to increase.

** Senior Citizens already receiving a water bill discount will automatically receive the waste discount. If you don't already receive the water discount please call 630-766-8200 to sign up.

Rates are frozen until 2015!

The Village has not increased garbage rates since 2011 and will be able to keep rates the same up until January 1, 2015.

Important Note for Multi-Family Owners

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BEFORE: We are landfilling valuable materials that could otherwise be recycled. By recycling you can help keep our community cleaner.

NOW: We are increasing our recycling capacity, which helps keep refuse charges stable. The 65-gallon cart offers additional space for recyclables, so please recycle all you can. The lid keeps the rain out and the wheels make it easy to move to the curb.



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asked questions, visit www.bensenville.il.us
or call 630-766-8200.



Recycling Quick Tips

- Begin using your cart immediately.
- On Wednesday, place your new cart at the curb, with the wheels and handles facing your house.
- No sorting is required, put all recyclables together in the recycling cart.
- Lids, caps and labels are OK.
- Rinse all food and beverage containers.
- No plastic bags, please.
- No garbage, food, yard trimmings or hazardous waste materials.
- More information will be provided on a flyer delivered with your new recycling cart.

Why carts?

- More recycling=less trash. We produce more than the county average of trash. We hope to bring this number down by recycling more.
- By recycling all you can, you are making a big impact. When you have more space for recycling, you can recycle more!
- Currently, we have the capacity to recycle over 4 million gallons of recyclables each year. By providing residents with 65-gallon containers, we can grow this potentially to 13 million gallons of recyclables. With the new carts in use, we create the capacity to capture 2200 tons of recyclables that can be repurposed.

HERE'S WHAT GOES IN YOUR CART:

- ~ **METAL:** Aluminum cans, steel and tin cans, lids from jars, clean foil
- ~ **PAPER:** Newspaper; cardboard (flattened), paperboard such as cereal boxes and shoe boxes (flatten all boxes, remove plastic bags); mixed paper including direct mail, advertisements, bills, office paper, stationery, and envelopes (anything that tears); magazines and catalogs; phone books; paper grocery bags, soda and beer carrying cases
- ~ **PLASTICS:** #1 PET bottle and containers, #2 HHDPE bottles and containers, #3 PVC bottles, #4 LDPE bottles and containers, #5 PP plastic bottles and containers, #7 plastic narrow neck grocery containers, six and twelve pack rings, milk and juice cartons
- ~ **GLASS:** food and beverage containers

NO SORTING: IT ALL GOES IN.



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