

# RECYCLING

## in the City of Bloomington

Did you know?

In a lifetime, the average American will throw away 600 times his or her adult weight in garbage. This means that each adult will leave a legacy of 90,000 lbs. of trash for his or her children.



Questions about the city's Recycle Program can be directed to the Public Works Department.

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 Bloomington, IL 61702  
 (309) 434-2225  
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 www.cityblm.org

For further information on recycling and on the proper disposal of special items such as:

- Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs)
- Plastic Garden Pots
- Computers & Electronics
- Household Items
- Plastic Bags
- Automotive
- Yard Waste
- Prescription Drugs

please visit the Ecology Action Center's Waste Solutions website:  
<http://www.ecologyactioncenter.org/waste-solutions/>

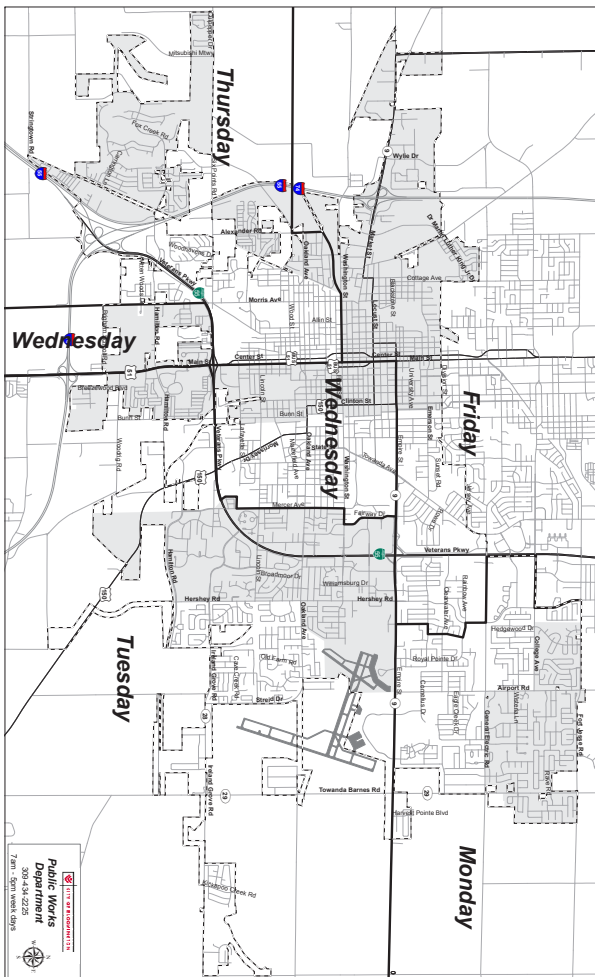


### 2011 Recycle Collection Map

- 1) Locate your residence on the map.
- 2) Determine which day of the week your garbage and recycle products are collected. Dates are collected the same day of the week. However, garbage is collected every day and recycle collection is every other week.
- 3) Determine if your residence is located in a shaded or unshaded area.
- 4) If the area in which you are located is shaded, your recycle collection date on the calendar are shaded.

\* Recycle and garbage will not be collected on Monday, December 26, 2011. Recycle and garbage normally collected that day will be collected on Tuesday, December 27, 2011, along with the regular Tuesday collection. Please contact the Public Works Department for details on this exception.

Area	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Shaded	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	5, 12, 19, 26	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	6, 13, 20, 27	3, 10, 17, 24, 31	7, 14, 21, 28	4, 11, 18, 25	8, 15, 22, 29	5, 12, 19, 26	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	6, 13, 20, 27	3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Unshaded	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	3, 10, 17, 24, 31	4, 11, 18, 25	6, 13, 20, 27	7, 14, 21, 28	8, 15, 22, 29	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	4, 11, 18, 25	5, 12, 19, 26	7, 14, 21, 28



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 7601 South Main Street  
 Bloomington, IL 61702

## Single-Stream **RECYCLING** in Bloomington

No need to sort or separate! All recyclables can be put in one single bin.

**Bin Requirements:** Recycle bins are not provided by the City of Bloomington. Blue bins are available at local hardware stores; any type of bin may be used as long as it is labeled "Recyclables" or "Recycle".



The bin may not exceed 33 gallons in volume or 35 pounds in weight.

## What IS **NOT RECYCLABLE?**

- **Motor oil containers**
- **Plastic drink cups**
- **#6 plastics (polystyrene)**
  - styrofoam
  - plastic egg cartons
- **Plastic bags**
  - grocery
  - bread
  - dry-cleaning
  - plastic wrap
- **Flexible vinyl squeeze tubes**
  - toothpaste
  - facial cleaners
- **Windows, mirrors**
- **Drinking glasses, dinnerware, ceramics**
- **Soiled towels, napkins, paper, foil**



## What **IS RECYCLABLE?**

- **Plastics #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7**  
*containers for milk, water, soda, detergent, shampoo, salad dressings, margarine tubs, yogurt cups, frozen dessert cups, medicine bottles, etc. (lids included)*
- **Plastic 6-pack and 12-pack ring carriers (must be cut up)**
- **Glass bottles and jars**  
*clear, brown, blue, or green (metal lids included)*
- **Aluminum and Tin**  
*cans, clean disposable trays, pans and foil*
- **Steel cans (including empty aerosol cans)**
- **Juice boxes, gable-top cartons, kitty litter containers**
- **Newspapers (including all advertising inserts)**
- **Paperboard**  
*cereal boxes, frozen food boxes, tissue boxes*
- **Cardboard (cut down to newspaper size only)**
- **Computer paper, school paper, gift wrap**
- **Books**  
*soft-cover, and hard-back with the covers removed*
- **Junk mail and envelopes**
- **Paper egg cartons**
- **Telephone books**
- **Magazines**

**PLEASE CLEAN ALL MATERIALS AND FLATTEN ALL BOXES!**

## McLean County **RECYCLING** Centers

"Buy-back" items are recyclables that centers purchase from customers.

"Non Buy-back" items are recyclables that centers will accept without reimbursement

### **Midwest Fiber**

422 White Oak Rd., Normal, 309-452-0064

Non buy-back items: Cardboard, newspaper, office paper

Buy-back items: Aluminum cans

### **Morris Tick**

501 E. Stewart St., Bloomington, 309-828-6084

Buy-back items: Aluminum, copper, brass, iron, steel

### **Twin City Wood Recycling**

1606 W. Oakland, Bloomington, 309-827-9663

Non buy-back items: Pallets, tree and brush wood and new construction debris that is not treated

### **Ridgeview Recycling**

108 ½ S. Grove St., P.O. Box 447, Colfax  
309-723-3171

Non buy-back items: 1-5 & 7 plastic containers, newspapers, magazines, phonebooks, steel cans, aluminum cans, glass containers, some appliances, cardboard, car batteries

### **Did you know?**

~35 aluminum cans = 1 lb of aluminum cans  
Although the buy-back price of aluminum cans varies, on average 5 lbs could buy your Starbucks on the way to work.

If 2,750 households in your community recycle four aluminum cans a day, they can build a Habitat home for a family in need in just one year. That is equivalent to each person in a family of four recycling one can a day.