

What happens to the items recycled?



All the materials placed in the bins will go to a recycling processing facility where they will be sorted by type. Aluminum cans will get zapped into one pile, steel will be magnetically lifted to another and plastics will be hand sorted. The paper will be similarly sorted. Then the materials are made into large bales (like hay bales—but bigger!), loaded onto semi-trucks and taken to manufacturers.

At the manufacturer, paper will be dropped into vats of water, microscopic insects may eat the ink and then the paper will become pulp again. It will be pressed and rolled out into new paper products. Magazines may become copy paper, office paper may become newspaper, newspaper may become tissues.

Soda pop cans usually become soda pop cans again, often in less than six weeks! A soup can may become a steel beam or a file cabinet. Soda pop bottles usually become carpeting while milk jugs and liquid laundry bottles may become maintenance-free decking.

The point is that all the items collected have markets; they will become new items and in the process require less energy, less water and less new resources to serve our needs.

Drop-Off Locations

City of Crest Hill

1610 Plainfield Road/Rt. 30, Crest Hill, IL
(near Theodore, west of Larkin Ave)
815-741-5100

Drop-Off Hours: 24 hrs, 7 days a week

Channahon Township

25461 S Fryer Street, Channahon, IL
(Seven blocks South of Rt. 6)
815-467-2699

Hours: Wed 3pm-7pm March—October
Sat 8am-2pm year-round

Plainfield Township

22525 W. Lockport Road, Plainfield, IL
(East of Weber, near Rt. 55 overpass)
815-436-8308

Drop-Off Hours: 24 hrs, 7 days a week

Troy Township Highway Department

25358 Seil Road, Shorewood, IL
(West from River Rd & Seil)
815-467-6892

Drop-Off Hours: 24 hrs, 7 days a week

Washington Township/Beecher

30200 Town Center Road, Beecher, IL
(between Indian Trail & Cottage Grove)
708-946-2026

Drop-Off Hours: 24 hrs, 7 days a week



Applications for Additional Sites
are being taken from
Municipalities and Townships

Recycling Collection Contractor:
Allied Waste & Recycling Services
808 S. Joliet Road
Joliet, IL 60436
815-723-3200

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Will County Recycling Drop-Off Program

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In partnership with:

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Plainfield Township

Troy Township Highway Department

Washington Township/Village of Beecher

*Dedicated to Serving the Environmental
Needs of Will County.*



Paper, Cardboard and Containers

**Businesses
Welcome!**

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Will County Recycling Drop-Off Program

Recycling is one of the best ways to help the environment, create jobs, save landfill space and reduce natural resource consumption. Consider the following:

Recycling one ton of paper saves 6,953 gallons of water; 463 gallons of oil; 587 pounds of air pollution; 3.06 cubic yards of landfill space; 4,077 Kilowatt hours of energy and 17 trees. Those 17 trees provide shade, shelter for wildlife and take in 250 pounds of carbon dioxide a year.

Recycling one aluminum can (just one) saves enough energy to power your television for three hours.

Recycling one glass bottle saves enough energy to power your computer for 3 hours and reduces 20% of the air pollution and 50% of the water pollution created from manufacturing with raw materials.

Recycling one ton of steel (soup, coffee and paint cans) saves 2,500 pounds of iron ore, 1,000 pounds of coal and 40 pounds of limestone.

Recycling at home, at school, at work and at play just makes sense!



Items Accepted

White Paper / Copy Paper
Colored Paper
Construction Paper
Office Paper
Letterhead
Computer Paper (greenbar)
Unwanted/Junk Mail
Envelopes with or without windows
Greeting Cards
Gift Wrap
Paper Bags
Magazines / Catalogs
Phone Books
Notebooks
Soft Cover Books
Calendars
Newspaper
Fax Paper / Coated Paper
Scrap Paper / Shredded Paper
Adhesive Note Paper (Post-Its®)
Manila Folders
Chipboard (tissue & pasta boxes)
Corrugated Cardboard Boxes (flatten)

All Plastic Bottles (put lids in separately)
Plastic Containers (except #6 or Styrofoam)
Glass Bottles
Aluminum Cans / Foil / Trays
Steel / Tin Cans
(including empty, dried out paint cans)
Drink Boxes
Milk Cartons
Six-Pack Rings



Drop-Off Instructions



- ⓐ Bag shredded paper.
- ⓑ Bring all residentially or business generated recyclable materials to the drop-off site during operational hours.
- ⓒ Remove materials from your vehicle.
- ⓓ Empty plastic bags (excluding bags of shredded paper) of recyclables into the appropriately labeled dumpster (Containers vs Mixed Paper).
- ⓔ Please close lids to prevent blowing of materials or litter issues.
- ⓕ DO NOT TAKE any items that have already been dropped off. Once items have been placed in the box they are part of the Recycling Program.



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