

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE NEW RECYCLING PROGRAM

Q: When will I receive my cart?

A: The carts will be delivered between September 29th and October 10th. The new program will begin the week of October 13th.

Q: Where will it be delivered?

A: Every house will receive a new cart in front of their home on the treelawn.

Q: How many carts will I receive and how do I know it is mine?

A: Each household will receive one cart. The blue cart will have a serial number on it; the Service Department will have a database of all cart serial numbers. Please copy your cart's serial number and keep it with your records. The cart is owned by the City and stays "with the house". You are not to take it with you if you move, use it for other purposes, etc.

Q: Can I use the recycle cart for trash?

A: ABSOLUTELY NOT! If you do, it will not be picked up and you will have to empty it on your own.

Q: Why is it so important for everyone to use their new recycling cart?

A: The new blue cart will be the standard for all recycling. Green bins will no longer be collected.

Q: What should I do with my old green recycling bin?

A: Your old bin can be used to transfer recycling from your house to the new recycling cart. You can also use the green bin as a handy storage container in your house or garage. If you no longer want the green bin place it out on the treelawn empty next to the blue cart and we will collect it.

Q: Do I have to take the cart out every week?

A: No, you do not have to take the cart out every week. If it is only partially filled one week, you might want to keep it in your garage until it is full. You can also hold off after a heavy snowfall. However, we will pick it up every week even if it is only partially full. It's up to you.

Q: Is there a proper way to put the cart at the curb?

A: Yes, there are arrows on the cart that show you which direction it should face in order for the "arm" of the truck to pick it up. As always, you want to keep the cart at least five feet away from your trash so they are not mixed and the "arm" has room to grab the container. Please keep the cart away from hydrants, poles, trees or anything that could hinder the "arm" from grabbing the cart.

Q: When do I take the cart out?

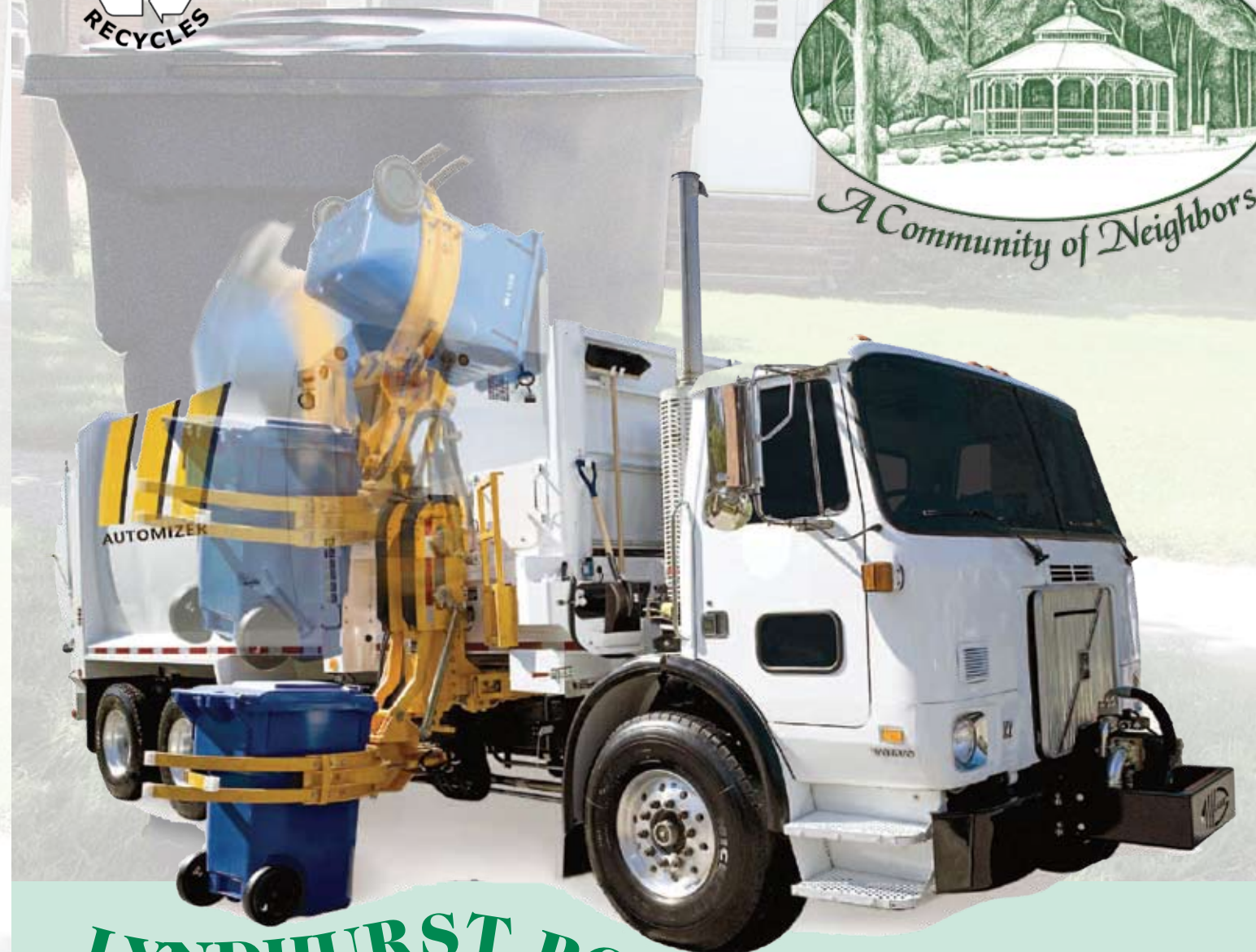
A: Take your cart out on your normal trash day. Keep in mind, all residents are supposed to place the trash and recycling out after 5:00 p.m. the night before trash day – there is an ordinance prohibiting you from putting it out earlier. Also, please bring the carts- as well as your garbage cans – back in as soon as possible.

Q: Who is responsible for maintenance if your cart needs repair?

A: The new Toter carts have a ten year warranty from the manufacturer. The City of Lyndhurst Service Department will repair your cart or exchange it for a new cart, depending on circumstances and what repairs are warranted.

Q: What if I have more questions?

A: Call Lyndhurst Service Department at (440) 473-5100



LYNDHURST ROLLS OUT

NEW RECYCLING PROGRAM

The City of Lyndhurst will roll out a new recycling program very soon. Each resident will be provided with a wheeled cart container that will hold all of their recyclables which will include paper, plastics, glass, steel and aluminum cans. This container can be easily wheeled to the curb. An automated collection truck will provide a weekly pick up and the recyclables will be taken to Waste Management's recycling facility in Oakwood Village. We are encouraging our residents to recycle more. If we recycle more, less money will be spent burying trash at the landfill. This is better for our environment and helps us save precious tax dollars.

The move to automated single stream recycling will make it easier for our residents while at the same time lower our operational costs significantly. Our projected savings should be over \$100,000 per year once the program is up and running. We are working very hard to lower costs and still provide excellent services. Please do your part and follow the guidelines for the new program.

Joseph M. Cicero Jr



PUT ALL OF YOUR RECYCLING IN THE BLUE CART

All of your recyclables should be placed in your new blue cart. This is known as single stream recycling. Your cart should be wheeled close to the curb with the metal bar facing the street and no obstructions within five feet of the cart, not close to a telephone pole, fire hydrant or rubbish. If obstructions are close to the cart, the truck will not be able to lift the container to empty it.

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING TIPS

- Flatten your cardboard boxes and place them inside your recycling cart. Boxes that do not fit inside your cart should be flattened and cut down to a 3' x 3' size, tied in bundles and placed next to your cart.
- Place shredded paper in a brown paper bag before putting it in your cart.
- Do not put plastic bags in your recycling cart.
- Flattening boxes, cans and plastic bottles will save space in your cart for other recyclables.

Do not put trash, pet waste or yard waste in your blue recycling cart. Carts containing trash or yard waste will not be collected.

NOW YOU CAN RECYCLE MORE

The Lyndhurst Recycling Program is being expanded to include more paper and plastic. The additional recycling will help to save resources, tax dollars and landfill space.

Along with the usual glass containers, aluminum cans and steel cans our program will offer:

EXPANDED PAPER RECYCLING

In addition to newspapers, magazines, catalogs, and corrugated cardboard, you can use your new blue recycling cart to recycle these new paper products:

- Junk Mail
- Paper Grocery Bags
- Envelopes
- Office and Computer Paper
- Cereal and Cracker Boxes
- Soda Cases etc.
- Paper Egg Cartons
- Magazines (including glossy print)



THERE ARE CERTAIN PAPERS THAT WE CAN NOT RECYCLE THEY ARE:

- Pizza boxes
- Wax coated boxes (i.e. milk cartons, juice boxes, etc.)
- Detergent boxes

RECYCLE MORE PLASTICS:

The recycling program will begin accepting the following plastic products:

- All plastic bottles Numbers 1 through 7 (except Motor Oil bottles)

PLASTICS WE DO NOT RECYCLE

There are still a lot of plastics we do not recycle because there are no markets for the material and the recycling center will not accept them. Please make sure you recycle only those items we can recycle.

Do not recycle the following plastic regardless of the number on the bottom:

- Deli Containers
- Frozen Food Containers
- Microwave Dinner Plates
- Plastic Bags
- Plastic Film or Wrap
- Styrofoam
- Plastic Buckets or Pails

COMMON RECYCLING ERRORS

The Recycling Department recently sorted through recyclables we collected looking for some of the common mistakes Lyndhurst recyclers make. Here are the most common items that residents put in their recycling carts that should have been put in the trash.

MOST COMMON VIOLATIONS

1. Using recycling container for trash.
2. Putting recycling in old buckets, bins or trash cans that we assume is trash.
3. Not putting or placing recycling in a separate area – please place at least five feet from other containers.
4. Not cleaned or rinsed out - No dirt or soil in yard planters or pots, no food residue, no cat litter, etc.
5. No window glass, ceramic dishes or cups.
6. No small appliances – coffee makers, toasters, etc.
7. No plastic buckets, bins, pails, trash cans, broken laundry baskets, trash can lids, milk crates, pop cases, etc.
8. No phone books or styrofoam (whole pieces or peanuts).
9. Don't hide unacceptable items in recycling or trash: Paint, styrofoam peanuts, etc.

