

City of Bellaire

PUBLIC WORKS ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY BOARD

Think Green: Be Smart About Recycling

Please Help Our Materials Recovery Facility Operate Efficiently

Below are the items picked up in the City of Bellaire's curbside recycling program. Please be sure that all recyclable materials are clean, dry, and loose (not bagged).

Recycle Clean Items, including:

- Plastics with symbols #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7 – clean and dry
- Glass bottles and jars – brown, clear, or green – clean and dry
- Aluminum food and beverage containers – clean and dry
- Ferrous (iron) cans -- clean and dry
- Newspapers/newsprint with no plastic wrap
- Junk mail and copier paper
- Magazines without wrappers
- Flattened cereal/snack boxes
- Flattened corrugated boxes
- Remember to empty, rinse, and dry all cans and recyclable containers before putting them in the bin.

Do Not Include:

- Plastic bags
- Pizza boxes
- Dirty, greasy, and unclean containers, plates, cups, etc.
- Drink bottles or cans with liquid still in them—pour it out before recycling
- Containers with any leftover food
- Styrofoam containers or cups, even if they are marked recyclable
- Non-recyclable plastics – unnumbered
- Nothing less than 2 inches in any dimension
- Scrap metal, wire or metal coat hangers
- Do not use plastic bags to hold recyclables

If it looks like it will rain, try to put off recycling paper and cardboard as moisture will turn the paper-based products into "mush" which cannot be sorted by the machines.

Putting items in the recycling bin that cannot be recycled significantly reduces the effectiveness of the recycling program, substantially increases costs, and can severely damage recycling equipment.

You may recycle household hazardous waste like paint, household cleaners, and batteries at the Harris County Multi-Use Facility located on Hahl Road – www.hchhw.org

For more information about the City of Bellaire Recycling program, go to
<https://www.bellairetx.gov/929/Recycling>