

## Single-sort Recycling: Frequently Asked Questions

### CAN I COMBINE MY GARBAGE AND RECYCLING IN THE NEW CART?

No. The new blue carts are only for recyclable material. Please continue to dispose of garbage as usual.

### WHAT DO I DO WITH MY OLD BIN?

You can keep your old bin or drop it off at the Solid Waste Campus office at 1873 Bench Street. All returned bins will be recycled.

### MY GARBAGE IS COLLECTED IN THE ALLEY; WHERE WILL MY RECYCLING BE PICKED UP?

Beginning September 16, if your garbage is collected in the alley, your recycling will be picked up there as well. Please make sure that both garbage and recycling carts are easily accessible and there's a four-foot space between a cart and any obstacles.

### WHY ARE RECYCLABLES BEING COLLECTED EVERY OTHER WEEK?

To keep fees low, and because our new carts hold more, recycling will be picked up on a biweekly schedule. Your pick-up day will remain the same.

### DO I HAVE TO PUT MY RECYCLABLES IN MY CART?

Yes. Crews will only collect recyclables placed in the cart. Do not place material loose on the ground or in any other container.

### SHOULD I BAG MY RECYCLING BEFORE PUTTING IT IN THE CART?

No. Plastic bags are non-recyclable and can't be processed by the machines at the recycling facility. Any bagged items will not be recycled.

### CAN I TAKE MY CART WITH ME IF I MOVE?

Carts are registered to an address and are the property of the City of Red Wing. Please leave the cart if you move.

### WHAT IF MY CART IS STOLEN OR DAMAGED?

If your cart is stolen or damaged, contact the Solid Waste Campus at 651.385.3658 or email [solidwaste@ci.red-wing.mn.us](mailto:solidwaste@ci.red-wing.mn.us). Additionally, a police report should be filed immediately upon vandalism or theft.

### WILL MY GARBAGE COLLECTION CHANGE?

No. Your garbage pick-up days will stay the same.