

# Recycling



## WE NEED YOUR HELP - LET'S RECYCLE CLEANER!

We want to produce consistently cleaner loads of recyclable materials.

### ***Here's how:***

10 recycling “convenience centers” will be strategically located around the city and will be accessible 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

They'll be locked so for recycling only.

They have slots for cardboard - although NOT greasy pizza boxes - and places in which to deposit clean cans and plastic, but NOT plastic bags.

Your recycling needs to be clean and dry.

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## RECYCLING GUIDELINES

### YES

- ALUMINUM CANS  
Rinse Out
- STEEL TINS/CANS  
Rinse Out
- PLASTIC CONTAINERS  
#1-#7
- CARDBOARD  
Flattened
- PAPER (ALL TYPES)  
Catalogs, Junk mail  
Newspaper, Magazines

### NO

- bagged recyclables
- styrofoam
- plastic bags
- textiles or shoes
- glass
- hazardous waste
- food waste
- hangers, rope, wire, cords, or chains

**YUCK**

These guidelines represent the common items accepted by the recycling program in Bradenton, FL.

### ***Here's why:***

Two main reasons - one, we don't have the manpower to continue curbside pickup alongside trash and yard waste pickup.

Two, about 60% of the recycling we pick up curbside is contaminated. Batches from separate houses co-mingle in the trucks; if your recycling is 100% clean and dry and enough of your fellow residents are not as careful, the entire load can become contaminated with greasy pizza boxes, unclean cans, or plastic bags.

Contaminated loads are sent to the landfill instead of being processed at the recycling plant.

We believe that citizens who choose to continue recycling at the convenience centers are more likely to contribute clean recyclable goods, and the loads are much more likely to be uncontaminated.

**Note: Your bill has never included a separate charge for recycling.**

***Here's where:***

1. East end of San Ortebello Drive adjacent to our elevated water tower.
2. 100 22nd St. NE in parking area adjacent to city lift station
3. 1000 24th St. E. adjacent to the Dream Center
4. Cordova Lakes Dead End at 38th Ave. W./61st St. W. (will replace yard waste container there)
5. 17th Ave. W. Park at Wares Creek, adjacent to lift station
6. Lewis Park parking lot, 3120 1st Ave. W.
7. 9th Ave. W. (between 63rd and 64th St. W.), north side of road
8. Palma Sola Causeway, 9800 SR 64 W, adjacent to solid waste dumpster
9. 28th St. W. Park @ 2718 13th Ave. W., at opening in split rail fence
10. Red Cross Building Loop Road 2905 59th St. W.

We will provide photos of the sites when the containers are deployed.

***Here's when:***

Curbside recycling will be indefinitely suspended **beginning June 3, 2022**. At that time, your blue recycling bin will be repurposed by our staff for yard waste use. After we have success with our first group of 10 10-cubic-yard recycling containers, we will consider ordering more.