

# Recycling services restored at Cedar Falls and Enumclaw

▶ Effective Feb. 11, 2012

In an effort to reduce operating costs by \$400,000 and eliminate a redundant service\*, the King County Solid Waste Division ended free recyclables collection services at most of its facilities on Feb. 1, 2012.

## **Why is service restored at these two facilities?**

Many rural residents in and around Enumclaw and North Bend told us that while curbside collection service is available, there are challenges to using it. A key issue is that collection vehicles cannot access properties in rural areas that are often a great distance from the road; residents must bring their waste to locations off their property. Restoring this service to these two facilities is intended to encourage continued recycling.

## **Where did you find the money to restart the program?**

The Division will still need to come up with ways to cover the \$200,000 cost of restoring service. We will continue to look at ways to provide recycling services more cost-effectively.

## **You can help reduce recycling program costs at County facilities!**

Recycling program costs have risen sharply due to increased contamination by garbage and other unacceptable items in the recycling bins. **Put only acceptable recyclable items in the bins; the success of this program depends upon you doing your part.** See back of flier for list of acceptable items.



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## Curbside collection is easy and affordable for most County residents!

For about \$20 a month, you can get weekly garbage pickup (32-gallon can) and every other week recycling pickup (up to 96 gallon can).

*\*The recyclable materials accepted for free at some County transfer stations are also collected (at no extra cost) through curbside programs available to 99 percent of King County residents.*

## Basic recyclables accepted at some King County solid waste facilities

- **Aluminum cans** (Empty and rinse)
- **Cardboard** (Flatten – this saves room in bin and reduces hauling costs)
- **Glass bottles and jars** (No light bulbs, mirrors, window panes or ceramics)
- **Mixed paper** – includes catalogs, junk mail, magazines, phone books, hard and soft cover books, dry food boxes (remove liners), frozen and refrigerated food boxes (No food-soiled paper such as pizza boxes)
- **Newspaper**
- **Plastic bottles, tubs, and jugs** – includes shampoo, juice and soda bottles, milk and laundry jugs, yogurt and other dairy tubs (Empty and rinse. No plastic wrap, plastic bags, Styrofoam, packaging peanuts, food trays, clamshell containers, or any plastic container that held motor oil, pesticides or any hazardous product.)
- **Tin cans** (Empty and rinse. No paint cans or aerosol cans.)

## Questions about what you can recycle?

Call the King County Solid Waste Division at 206-296-4466, toll free: 1-800-325-6165, ext. 6-4466, TTY Relay: 711, or visit [www.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste](http://www.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste).

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## Not sure how to recycle something?

This online directory lists businesses and organizations that accept unwanted items for reuse, recycling or proper disposal.  
[www.kingcounty.gov/WhatDoIDoWith](http://www.kingcounty.gov/WhatDoIDoWith)



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