



# South Jordan City

## Co-Mingled Curbside Recycling Program



### What Can You Recycle?

#### All Plastics #1-7 (Look for symbol on container)

Plastic bottles, such as soft drink & water bottles, jugs (milk), containers, shampoo bottles, etc. should be completely emptied and preferably rinsed so that contents do not leak and contaminate other items.

#### Aluminum Beverage Cans

Recycle all aluminum cans. Crushing cans will help to conserve space in your green cart. Completely empty, and preferably rinse, to keep your green cart from getting sticky and/or contaminating other items.

#### Newspapers

Stack newspapers and place them in your green cart. Inserts from your newspaper are acceptable to include as well.

#### Corrugated Cardboard

Cardboard boxes must be broken down or cut to fit inside your green cart. Waxed cardboard, as is commonly used for fruit, is not acceptable.

#### Other Paper Products

Virtually all clean paper products can be recycled. Magazines, paperback books, junk mail, shoe boxes, paper towel and toilet paper tubes, cereal boxes, brown paper bags, phone books, paperboard, office paper, and notebook paper are all acceptable. Almost every item that comes in your newspaper or mailbox can be placed in your cart. Paper items that have any food, oil, or grease on them are contaminated and cannot be recycled.

#### Tin and Steel Cans

Cans need to be completely emptied and preferably rinsed so that contents do not contaminate other items. Crushing cans will help provide more space in your green cart. Labels left on the cans are acceptable.

#### Plastic Grocery Bags

The best way to recycle plastic grocery bags is at a collection center in one of the many stores that accept them. If you do put plastic grocery bags in your green cart for recycling, please stuff several bags into another bag and tie the top shut. These bags have a tendency to create a litter nuisance with any wind.

### Items to Discard or Recycle Using Other Means

#### Green Waste

While tree/bush trimmings and grass clippings work well in composting; they cannot be recycled with our single-stream system. Placing these types of materials in your green cart not only contaminates materials in your cart but also many others, forcing all the material to end up in a landfill.

#### Glass

Glass is a recyclable item but it cannot be recycled in our single-stream system. Glass tends to break during the loading and unloading processes. This broken glass provides a significant safety hazard to personnel working on the sort lines and damages the conveyors and belts used in the sorting process.

#### Styrofoam

All peanuts and other styrofoam packing materials cannot be recycled in our system. Please remove these items from the cardboard boxes you may be recycling.

#### Food Contaminated Paper Items

Pizza boxes, paper towels, napkins, etc. that have food, oil or grease on them are contaminated and cannot be recycled. These items not only contaminate your materials but others as well.

#### Other Items

Small appliances, wax coated cardboard, aluminum foil, clothing, household hazardous waste, paint, scrap metal, etc.

**For every pound of contaminants, 10 pounds of recyclable material is lost!**