

Valley Township

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Valley Township Resident:

As part of Valley Township's single stream recycling program, each residential household will receive a 95-gallon recycle cart with lid to be used solely for recyclables. Carts will begin to be delivered to residents during the week of November 29, 2010. The first collection using the new system will begin the week of December 6, 2010 barring any unforeseen delivery issues. **The collection of recyclable material will also be collected on a weekly basis. Please refer the attached TRASH & RECYCLE COLLECTION SCHEDULE which will be effective December 6, 2010.**

Single stream recycling is the placement of all recyclable items together in the same container for pickup by the Township. All items – newspaper, junk mail, aluminum and bi-metal cans, plastics #1-3 and #5-7, glass bottles, and corrugated cardboard -- will be placed in this cart. Recycling material must be in the cart and not on top of the cart. Any material that is not in the cart or placed so as to cause the lid to be in an upright or open position will not be removed. **The collection truck must have access to your cart. Place the cart three feet away from trees, mailboxes, parked cars, utility lines or anything else that could get in the way and place the cart within two feet of the curb with the handle facing away from the curb.** The collection truck is on a scheduled route. It is difficult for the truck to return to your address if your cart was not put out correctly or was put out late. A copy of the Rules and Regulations for the Valley Township Recycling Program are attached.

The new recycling carts include an electronic chip which will be used to register them to each dwelling unit and to track usage and assist when there is a violation. ***Recycling is required by municipal and state law!*** Recycling material cannot be placed in trash and trash cannot be placed in recycling carts. As required by law, citations will be issued for non-compliance.

In addition to the new carts, Valley Township has purchased a new side-load recycle truck for collection of recycling material. The purchase of the truck and carts were made possible by a grant through the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection awarded in February 2010.

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We appreciate your cooperation and patience during the implementation of this new program which will benefit the township and its residents by providing weekly collection of recycling material which should result in less material being placed in the solid waste collection for disposal at the landfill where tipping fee costs of \$55.00 per ton are levied. If each homeowner recycled an additional five pounds of recyclables a week, we could save \$20,000 per year. This helps us to keep trash fees down while doing the environmentally responsible thing.

Information on recycling collection, along with the collection schedule, rules and regulations can be accessed on our website (www.valleytownship.org) or you may call the township office at 610 384-5751 with any questions. Should you still have any of the original five-gallon recycling pails, you may keep them for your own use.

As a reminder, the Valley Township Solid Waste Ordinance (#86-10, §203), requires that garbage be kept at all times in a receptacle of a capacity of not more than 32-gallons that is watertight with lids and handles. Items placed in the can shall be in a bag to protect the contents from scattering or from breaking open. Placing trash bags, not in a container, at the curb is in violation of our ordinance and will be enforced.

Very truly yours,

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