

City of East Lansing One Pager Plus

Recycling Information

The City of East Lansing offers curbside and drop-off recycling options to residents. Contact the East Lansing Department of Public Works (DPW) at (517) 337-9459 with questions.

Curbside Recycling

Curbside recycling collection is offered to single-family homes, duplexes and small multi-family homes with up to 20 units. Recyclables are collected every other week on the same day as refuse collection and should be placed at the curb by 7:30 a.m. There is no fee to recycle, however, recyclables must be placed in a City recycling cart. Carts were provided to residents at no cost in 2015 thanks to a \$125,000 grant from The Recycling Partnership and matching funds from the City of East Lansing. Carts are to remain at homes when residents move. Residents with questions about replacement/new carts can call (517) 337-9459.

Collection Schedule

The bi-weekly curbside recycling collection schedule includes Green Week and Blue Week. Visit www.cityofeastlansing.com/recycle to view a map and schedule. Residents can also call (517) 337-9459 if unsure of their collection day/week.

Simple Recycling

Simple Recycling (free collection of clothing, textiles and small household items) is collected the same day as regular curbside recycling. Visit simplerecycling.com to request bags and learn more about what is accepted. Simple Recycling bags can also be picked up at East Lansing City Hall, 410 Abbot Road; the East Lansing Department of Public Works, 1800 E. State Road; and the East Lansing Hannah Community Center, 819 Abbot Road. There is no cost for the bags.

What Can Be Recycled at the Curb

- 1.) Glass Bottles/Jars - Paper labels acceptable, all colors accepted (including green)
- 2.) Tin, Foil, Steel & Aluminum Cans - Paper labels acceptable, all sizes accepted, remove food residue
- 3.) Household Scrap Metal - Includes metal pots/pans, metal trays, metal bakeware, metal utensils, etc.; empty aerosol containers accepted, no wire hangers
- 4.) Plastic Bottles & Containers - Labeled #1-#7 (No #3 PVC, Styrofoam or plastic bags)
- 5.) Bulky Rigid Plastic - Includes buckets, lawn chairs, toys, bins, etc. (look for HDPE symbol)
- 6.) Cartons - Includes milk cartons, juice cartons/boxes, etc.



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- 7.) Newspapers, Magazines & Phone Books - Includes inserts, no plastic bags or packaging wrap
- 8.) Paper - Includes office paper, junk mail, envelopes, file folders, cards, paper bags, shredded paper in a secured clear plastic bag, etc.
- 9.) Corrugated Cardboard - Includes pizza boxes, shipping boxes, etc.; break down boxes
- 10.) Boxboard - Includes dry food/cereal boxes, shoe boxes, etc.
- 11.) Clothing/Textiles - Only in green Simple Recycling bags
- 12.) Small Household Goods/Appliances/Electronics - Only in green Simple Recycling bags

Drop-off Recycling

East Lansing's year-round drop-off recycling site is located at 1800 E. State Road. All of the above items (with the exception of Simple Recycling items, household scrap metal, rigid bulky plastic and cartons) are accepted.

Online Recycling Resources

Keep up-to-date with the latest East Lansing recycling news by liking the Recycle for a Greener East Lansing Facebook page, www.facebook.com/RecycleEL. Residents can also visit www.cityofeastlansing.com/recycle to learn more about the City's recycling program.

