

Lincoln-Lancaster County's

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**WASTE
REDUCTION &
RECYCLING GUIDE**

Recycling starts at home!

FOR MORE INFORMATION



Recycling 402-441-8215

recycle.lincoln.ne.gov

Recycling and composting

Landfill 402-441-8102/8104, lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: landfill)

Information on operating hours and disposal fees

Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department 402-441-8021

lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: household)

Household hazardous waste program and collection information

Bureau of Fire Prevention 402-441-7791

lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: fire prevention)

Proper disposal/handling of ammunition, explosives, fireworks

Extension Office, UNL-Lincoln/Lancaster County 402-441-7180

extension.unl.edu

Yard waste management and backyard composting

Keep Lincoln and Lancaster County Beautiful 402-441-8035

Neighborhood, community, school and lake clean up

Keep Nebraska Beautiful 402-486-4622

Nebraska Exchange Materials Program for businesses

Solid Waste Nuisance Complaints 402-441-8022

Report improper storage, handling or transportation of solid waste

WasteCap Nebraska 402-434-7378, wastecap.org

Business waste reduction and recycling assistance

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Look for us on Facebook.

**Using the search key, type
City of Lincoln Recycling
and Solid Waste Operations.**

Visit recycle.lincoln.ne.gov for a PDF
of this guide and more information.

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a grant from the Nebraska Department of
Environmental Quality.*

**Setting up a home recycling center
is easy:**

1. Choose a place to store recyclables.
 - The kitchen offers great accessibility and convenience.
 - The garage is out of sight and provides easy transport to the car.
 - Consider a closet, pantry or patio.
 - If you live in an apartment, you can hang reusable cloth bags over handles and door knobs.
2. Choose containers to hold and transport recyclables.
 - Consider reusing items you already own such as cardboard boxes, laundry baskets and plastic tubs.
 - Some retailers offer stackable containers made just for recycling.
3. Establish a family routine.
 - Tell family members and guests about recycling procedures.
 - Make sorting and transporting recyclables part of daily and weekly chores.
 - Keep up to date with community recycling events.
4. Visit recycle.lincoln.ne.gov to get more in-home recycling tips and to find a recycling drop-off site near you.

Keep this Guide

Use this guide as a step toward a greener lifestyle. Inside are suggestions on how to improve conservation efforts and make recycling part of your routine at home. You'll also find tips on how to handle yard waste and household hazardous materials. Refer to this guide all year long!



Managing Waste in Our Community

Garbage Collection

To find a refuse hauler that serves in your area, look in the yellow pages under "Garbage Collection," or contact the Lincoln Solid Waste Management Association at 402-423-3708.

CITY WASTE FACILITIES

North 48th Street Transfer Station 5101 North 48th Street 402-441-8104

Small vehicles and trailers only. Grass and leaves, brush, appliances, metals and tires must be placed in designated areas.

All loads must be covered and tied down. Additional fees will be charged for uncovered loads.

Construction and Demolition Landfill

Vehicles of any size may drop off concrete rubble, clean soil, brick and similar materials.

Bluff Road Landfill

6001 Bluff Road 402-441-8102

Refuse trucks and other large trucks and trailers only. Uncovered loads will be rejected. Certain materials require "special waste" disposal permits.

Yard Waste Composting Facility

Any size vehicle may drop off yard waste materials such as grass, leaves and brush to be composted. Call the numbers provided for information about fees, hours and other waste disposal requirements.

Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful

This program assists neighborhoods with cleanups and coordinates litter pickups. A limited number of mini-grants are available for groups involved in these efforts. Contact KLLCB at 402-441-8035 or visit lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: KLLCB).

Report Littering and Illegal Dumping!

1. Littering - KNB Litter Hotline - 402-486-0231
2. Illegal dumping - Sheriff - 402-441-6500
Health Dept. - 402-441-8022

RECYCLING OPTIONS

Recycling in Lincoln is easy! Residents can use drop-off sites or curbside haulers.

Drop-Off Recycling Locations

There are 35 multi-material and newspaper-only drop-off sites in Lincoln and Lancaster County. Most are open 24-hours a day and offer convenient recycling for residents. See the map on the back of this guide for details.

Materials Collected

Cardboard, glass bottles, plastics #1-#5, residential mixed paper, newspapers, aluminum and tin cans.

Curbside Recycling Haulers

Journal Star Recycling 402-473-2695
Midwest Refuse 402-475-0244
Palmer & Sons 402-474-6814
Recycling Enterprises 402-424-6655
RecycleLink 402-466-0412
Schaaf Refuse Service 402-423-5705
Star City Recycling 402-890-4320

Check with your waste hauler to see if it offers curbside recycling.

Materials Collected

Varies by hauler.

Cost

Varies by hauler; ranges \$5 to \$10 per month.

MILLIONS ARE WASTED EACH YEAR!

Last year, Lincoln and Lancaster County residents and businesses disposed of 304,918 tons of municipal solid waste. Nearly half of that (141,390 tons) was readily recyclable material. It cost over \$2.9 million to dispose of this material in the landfill. Yet, these materials have a real secondary market value.

Based on the average value recyclers were paying for these recyclables in the Midwest, an estimated \$16.4 million could have been introduced into our local economy.



RECYCLING CONTAINER LENDING PROGRAM

If you'd like to recycle at your next meeting, conference, benefit, festival or other special event, contact the Recycling Office. We will provide all the necessary recycling collection containers you'll need at no cost.



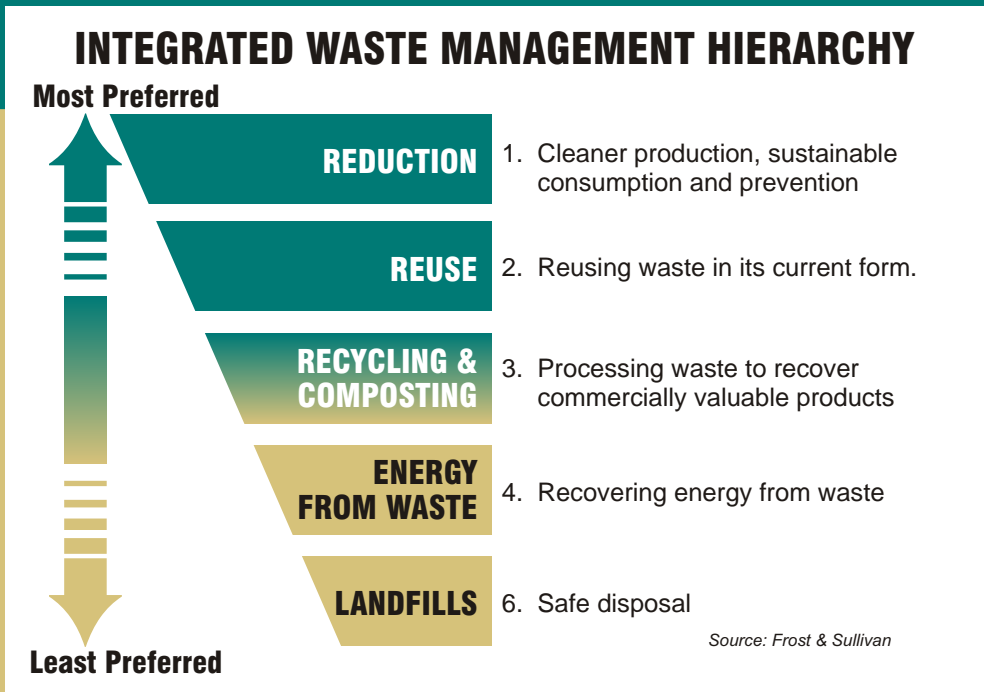
Visit recycle.lincoln.ne.gov and click on *Container Lending Program*.

Reduce it!

WASTE REDUCTION STARTS AT HOME AND THE STORE!

If we continue to consume and dispose of material at the current rate, we contribute to

- ▶ resource depletion
- ▶ pollution (to produce and transport products)
- ▶ loss of valuable habitat
- ▶ waste management challenges
- ▶ social and environmental ills



Following the waste management hierarchy is the first choice you can make as a consumer!

HOUSEHOLD WASTE REDUCTION TIPS:

- ▶ **Do without by practicing selective shopping.** Do you really need that knick-knack? Control impulse buying by walking away first and giving yourself time to make a better choice.
- ▶ **If you can't recycle it, don't buy it.** Don't purchase goods that will end up in the trash.
- ▶ **Buy strong and durable goods.** They may be more expensive initially, but they will last longer and are usually better quality than cheaper products.
- ▶ **Swap and exchange.** Network with friends and co-workers to obtain needed tools, materials or goods, and avoid purchasing an item that you'll only use once or twice. Visit garage sales and second-hand stores.
- ▶ **Avoid excess packaging.** Buy products in bulk if you use them often. For other products, buy only the amount you need: larger sizes reduce the amount of packaging, but smaller sizes reduce leftover waste.

The family who reduces waste at home helps to protect the environment. Waste reduction is as important as recycling in saving natural resources, conserving energy and landfill space and reducing pollution risks. Careful buying and disposal habits also can stretch the family budget. Make the right choice, and give yourself some change!

Reuse those bags!

The best answer to the “paper or plastic” question is “neither!” Plastic bags increase litter and pollution, and are made from dwindling oil resources. With consistent use of reusable bags, we can keep our community cleaner, save landfill space, and avoid harm to waterways and wildlife.

Do you have problems remembering your bags at home or in the car? Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful has free “Got Your Bags?” static clings for your car or home. Call 402-441-8035.

Reuse it!

- ▶ Take reusable sacks when grocery shopping.
- ▶ Pack your lunch in reusable containers and bags.
- ▶ Think twice before buying and using disposable items.
- ▶ Something you have may serve more than one purpose.
- ▶ Use your own mug at coffee shops, convenience stores and at work.
- ▶ Use previously loved items from a thrift or consignment store or yard sale.



ecOSTORES NEBRASKA

Do you have a remodeling project and a limited budget? Visit the EcoStores Nebraska warehouse at 530 W. "P" St. for good quality, low cost remodeling and building materials.

If you have building materials and supplies left after a remodeling job. Consider donating to EcoStores.

In 2011 alone, salvaging materials from deconstruction projects has kept 217 tons of construction materials from Lincoln's landfills.

Working together we all win!

For more information, visit ecostoresne.org or e-mail: info@ecostoresne.org.

Items that can be reused are accepted by the following places.

Fees and restrictions may apply. Please call before dropping off materials.

BOOKS

A Novel Idea Bookstore

118 N. 14th St. 402-475-8663

Bluestem Books

137 S. 9th St. 402-435-7120

Century Books

860 S. 27th St. 402-438-1500

Yellowed Pages Used Books

2719 N. 48th St. 402-465-8922

BUILDING MATERIALS

Connor's Architectural Antiques

1001 "L" St. 402-435-3338

EcoStores Nebraska

530 W. "P" St. 402-477-3606

Scherer's Architectural Antiques

9141 S. 63rd St. 402-423-1582

CELL PHONES

Voices of Hope

2545 "N" St. 402-476-2110

Friendship Home

Leave at Eastridge Presbyterian Church
1135 Eastridge Dr. 402-434-6599

ELECTRONICS

Goodwill Locations

(working electronics)

EYEGASSES

Star City Lions

Drop-off boxes located at optometrist offices, Eyeglass World and Wal-Mart stores

INTERNET SITES

freecycle.org (post offers and wants)

lincoln.craigslist.org

amazon.com/sell on amazon

POLYSTYRENE PACKING PEANUTS

Mail Plus

3201 South St. 402-434-5315

The Packaging Store

733 Hill St. 402-474-3922

UPS Stores

RECORDS/CDs

Backtrack Records

1549 N. Cotner Blvd. 402-464-4567

CD Warehouse

5141 "O" St. 402-486-0047

Recycled Sounds

909 "O" St. 402-476-8240

TIRES

Don's Used Tires

2141 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-477-4332

Pittman's Tires

3320 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-467-1082

THRIFT/CONSIGNMENT

(Furniture, clothing, etc.)

A Cause for Paws

5700 Old Cheney Rd. #4
402-420-5758

Arc Thrift Store

2620 "O" St. 402-476-0406

Community Action Partnership

210 "O" St. 402-471-4515

Deja Vu Boutique

4201 "O" St. 402-840-8264

Fabulous Finds

2702 N. 49th St. 402-466-4006

Family Thrift Center

1745 "O" St. 402-476-2857

Fashion II Consignment Boutique

4230 S. 33rd St. 402-483-1324

Goodwill locations

Mommy & Me

233 N. 48th St. 402-486-4158

Once Upon a Child

2711 S. 48th St. 402-464-4443

OMT! Divine Women's Resale

1725 Van Dorn 402-423-2066

People's City Mission

2101 "N" St. 402-475-6888

Play it Again Sports

5001 "O" St. 402-483-7447

Ruby Begonias *(vintage)*

1321 "P" St. 402-438-4438

Salvation Army

4690 Leighton Ave. 402/466-5052

1126 N. 27th St. 402-474-6264

St. Louise Gift and Thrift

2201 "O" St. 402-474-1600

St. Teresa's Thrift Store

616 S. 36th St. 402-489-4048

The Black Market

1033 "O" St. 402-475-1033

The Classic Consignment

4900 Dudley St. 402-467-2502

The Daisy

6433 Havelock Ave. 402-475-7777

Twice As Nice

3743 S. 48th St. 402-423-0083

WeeCycle

2935 N. 27th St. 402-261-9096

Recycle it!

Recycling helps to:

- ▶ slow climate change
- ▶ conserve resources
- ▶ save landfill space
- ▶ create jobs

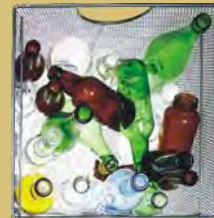
ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Advances in technology have provided us with many useful electronic products that we use in every aspect of our lives. What can we do to reduce the risk of toxic contamination and conserve valuable resources when we upgrade or replace these products?

Recycle your electronics at the firms listed on these pages. If you're unsure about where to recycle your item, call the Recycling Hotline at **402-441-8215** for more information. Looking for cheap electronics? Go to the Goodwill Electronic Center at 5745 "O" Street, which carries a variety of electronic products, including computers.

RECYCLE LOCALLY

Milestone Inspired Composites is a local company that produces beautiful durable surfaces made from locally resourced post-consumer and post-industrial aggregate. The company accepts a variety of materials from the public that are not accepted by other recyclers. Some of these items include many types of glass, mirror, porcelain, ceramics, stone and granite. Call 402-438-1540 for more information.



Check with the firms listed in this guide to insure proper handling of your recycled product. The City has not conducted an environmental audit on any of these firms.

APPLIANCES

Alan Mitchell's Appliance 402-420-2012
Allen's New & Used Batteries 3320 Cleveland Ave., Suite 2
402-467-2455 (washers, dryers, stoves)
Alter Scrap* 402-476-3306
Capital City Metal Recycling 2120 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-465-5555
Hoffman's Appliance 4734 Adams St. 402-466-6252
Major Appliance 3221 Huntington Ave. 402-466-1022
N. 48th St. Transfer Station 5101 N. 48th St. 402-441-7738
Sadoff Iron & Metal Company* 5510/5020 NW 39th St. 402-470-2510
Scrapy's* 7701 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-217-9095

AUTOMOBILES *Must have clear title.*

Capital City Auto Recyclers 140 W. "P" St. 402-475-2982
Four Brothers Auto Salvage 5440 N. 70th St. 402-467-3531
Kendle's Auto Salvage 100 W. Sumner St. 402-477-9702
Olston's Import Auto Salvage 3450 N. 35th Cir. 402-467-4541
Scrapy's* 7701 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-217-9095
Star City Auto Salvage 2705 N. 33rd St. 402-464-7009

AUTOMOBILE BATTERIES

A-Can Recycling 3255 S. 10th St. 402-421-9101
Advanced Auto Locations 402-465-8188
Allen's New & Used Batteries 3320 Cleveland Ave., Ste. 2
402-467-2455
Alter Scrap 402-476-3306
Capital City Auto Recyclers 140 W. "P" St. 402-475-2982
Four Brothers Auto Salvage 5440 N. 70th St. 402-467-3531
Graham Tire Locations 402-421-1500
H.I.S. Auto Care 7000 Van Dorn 402-488-8934
Interstate All Battery Center 4310 N. 27th St. 402-474-1991
Jensen Tire & Auto 5430 Red Rock Lane 402-328-9250
N. 48th St. Transfer Station 5101 N. 48th St. 402-441-7738
Sadoff Iron & Metal Company*
5510/5020 NW 39th St.
402-470-2510
Scrapy's*
7701 Cornhusker Hwy.
402-217-9095
T.O. Haas Tire Locations
402-474-1525
Wal-Mart Locations

*Dr. R.E. Cycle says
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at Home!*



RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES

Best Buy 400 N. 48th St. 402-464-1820
Allen's New & Used Batteries 3320 Cleveland Ave., Suite 2
402-467-2455
Electric Shaver Services 315 S. 11th St. 402-476-1785
Grainger (cell phone batteries only) 100 Oakcreek Dr. 402-476-9014
Home Depot Locations (power tool batteries only)
Interstate All Battery Center 4310 N. 27th St. 402-474-1991
Lincoln True Value Coddington Ave. & W. "A" St. 402-435-2120
Lowe's 6101 Apples Way 402-420-3660
QP Ace Hardware Locations 14th & Superior Ave., 70th &
Vine Sts., 27th & "E" Sts., 3800 Old Cheney Rd.
RadioShack Locations
Target Locations
Total Tools (power tool batteries only) 2611 Kimco Dr. 402-476-6673
US Cellular (cell phone batteries only) 2662 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-466-8700
Wal-Mart 4700 N. 27th St. 402-438-4377
Verizon Wireless (cell phone batteries only) 5141 "O" St. 402-465-5611

BUTTON BATTERIES

Gold Smith Jewelers 5500 Old Cheney Rd. 402-421-2253
Murphy's QP Do it Best Store** 1554 N 48th St 402-466-9852
Sartor Hamann Locations 402-476-8561
The Goldworks 4230 S. 33rd St. 402-488-8217
The Time Shoppe 6450 "O" St. 402-467-1884
Wal-Mart Locations
Wright's Jewelers 4101 Pioneer Woods Dr. 402-474-0774

NOTE: "Regular" batteries (alkaline, zinc-air) can be placed in the household trash.

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

Best Buy 400 N. 48th St. 402-464-1820
EDT Recycling 402-326-9797
Goodwill Locations
Geeks to the Rescue 1371 S. 33rd St. 402-853-0101
Office Depot Locations
Secure Recyclers 1060 N. 33rd St. 402-805-0065
Schrock Innovations 2801 Pine Lake Rd. 402-423-9595
Scrapy's (towers only) 7701 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-217-9095
Staples 4940 "O" St. 402-467-1118

CLEAN ASPHALT & CONCRETE

Cather Construction 6400 N. 70th St. 402-464-2113
Constructors, Inc. 6500 N. 70th St. 402-434-1764
Dobson Brothers Construction 7845 Fletcher Ave.
402-467-3634 ext 113
Gana Trucking & Excavating 13400 S. 54th St., Roca 402-794-5000
Pavers, LLC 12303 Hwy. 6, Waverly 402-786-5900

Fees and restrictions may apply. Please call before dropping off materials.

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHTS (CFLs)

Baker Ace Hardware** 801 "N" St. 402-475-4081
Bishop Heights True Value** 4200 S. 27th St. 402-420-0077
EcoStores Nebraska** 530 W. "P" St. 402-477-3606
EDT Recycling 402-326-9797
Home Depot Locations
Lincoln True Value Coddington Ave. & W. "A" St. 402-435-2120
Lowe's 6101 Apples Way 402-420-3660
Murphy's QP Do it Best Store** 1554 N 48th St 402-466-9852
QP Ace Hardware Locations 14th & Superior Ave., 70th &
Vine Sts., 27th & "E" Sts., 3800 Old Cheney Rd.
Wolfe Ace Hardware** 6118 Havelock Ave. 402-466-7707

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

General Fire & Safety Equipment 2431 Fairfield St. 402-476-4646
Jacobsen Fire Equipment Company
140 W. Cornhusker Hwy. 402-474-4203

HEARING AIDS

Hearing Aids Nebaska Sertoma Hearing Aid Bank
P.O. Box 830731 402-467-4837 or 402-488-2260 for pick up

OIL

Advanced Auto Parts Locations
Capital City Auto Recyclers 140 W. "P" St. 402-475-2982
Countryside Cooperative 305 Main St., Firth 402-791-5837
Four Brothers Auto Salvage 5440 N. 70th St. 402-467-3531
Graham Tire Locations 402-421-1500
H.I.S. Auto Care 7000 Van Dorn 402-488-8934
N. 48th St. Transfer Station 5101 N. 48th St. 402-441-7738
O'Reilly Auto Parts Locations
Otte Oil & Propane 3435 Davey Rd., Davey 402-785-2365
T.O. Haas Tire Locations
Wal-Mart Locations

TIRES

Don's Used Tires 2141 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-477-4332
Four Brothers Auto Salvage 5440 N. 70th St. 402-467-3531
Graham Tire Locations 402-421-1500
Jensen Tire & Auto 5430 Red Rock Lane 402-328-9250
N 48th Street Transfer Station 5101 N. 48th St. 402-441-8104
Lee Pester Tires 402-450-0971
Pittman's Tires 3320 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-467-1082
T.O. Haas Tire Locations 402-474-1525

*Accepts other scrap metal
**Accepts fluorescent tubes

PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS

HyVee Locations
Leon's Food Mart 2200 Winthrop Rd. 402-488-3307
Lowe's 6101 Apples Way 402-420-3660
Russ's Market Locations
SunMart Locations
Super Saver Locations
Wal-Mart Locations

PLASTIC PHARMACY BOTTLES

(Remove caps and labels)
The Pharmacy 1221 N. Cotner Blvd. 402-466-7283
Wal-Mart Locations
Multi-material Recycling Sites

PROPANE TANKS (15 lbs. or larger)

Ferrellgas 3200 Superior St. 402-477-5151
Lee's Propane 625 W. "O" St. 402-474-3235
Otte Oil & Propane 3435 Davey Rd. 402-785-2365

TELEVISIONS

Best Buy 400 N. 48th St. 402-464-1820
EDT Recycling 402-326-9797
Secure Recyclers 1060 N. 33rd St. 402-805-0065
Techware Recycling 1835 W. "O" St. 402-326-9797

TONER CARTRIDGES

Cartridge World Locations
data SPAN 7501 "O" St. 402-484-8200
Goodwill Locations
Latsch's 200 Oakcreek Dr. **402-323-7222**
Messiah Lutheran Church & School
1800 S. 84th St. 402-489-3024
Walgreens Locations

WOOD WASTE

Hofeling Enterprises 2200 S. Folsom Ct.
402-438-8733

RECYCLING BUY BACK CENTERS

Cans and/or aluminum
A & J Recycling 3250 N. 20th St. 402-438-3684
A-Can Recycling 3255 S. 10th St. 402-421-9101
Alter Scrap Processing 402-476-3306
Capital City Metal Recycling
2120 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-465-5555
Mid-City Recycling 4900 Vine St. 402-464-5880
Sadoff Iron & Metal Company*
5510/5020 NW 39th St. 402-470-2510
Scrapy's* 7701 Cornhusker Hwy. 402-217-9095

Hazardous Materials in the Home

HELP SAFEGUARD YOUR HOME AND FAMILY!

Many everyday products in the home can be hazardous if they have one or more of the following properties: **flammable, toxic, corrosive or reactive**. Look for product labels with these signal words. Don't dispose of these products in regular household trash.



Everyone purchases household products that have the potential to be dangerous. These include paints, household cleaners, garden products, detergents, pet care products and other materials.

Why are these hazardous materials a problem?

1. You may be exposed to toxic substances during use.
2. Chemicals may contaminate water supplies when illegally disposed or poured down a storm drain.
3. If put in trash, the wastes may injure sanitation workers or react with other materials on the truck or in the landfill.

How can we reduce household hazardous waste?

- ▶ **Use the least hazardous products available.** Many products have less toxic or non-toxic alternatives.
- ▶ **Read labels, and use only the amount recommended for the job.** Make sure that the product will do what you want it to do before you buy it. Once purchased, follow instructions for safe use, ventilation and storage.
- ▶ **Reuse and recycle whenever possible.** See pages 5 through 7 for outlets to responsibly handle used motor oil, batteries, latex paint and other products.
- ▶ **Avoid aerosols.** Much of the product may end up in the air rather than doing the job.



Tips for Safeguarding Your Home and Family

1. **Dispose of excess toxic materials properly.** Bring them to a FREE waste collection event.
2. **Do NOT mix leftover products.** Keep products in their original containers.
3. **Do NOT dump products.** Never dump products down home or storm drains.
4. **Get help with explosive or radioactive products.** Call 402-441-7791 or 402-441-6238.
5. **Always read the label.** Read and follow label directions carefully.
6. **Lock it up.** Store dangerous products out of the reach of children.
7. **Use less-toxic alternatives.** Purchase or make your own less toxic alternatives.

How should I handle household hazardous waste?

Handle these wastes carefully to avoid injuring yourself or damaging the environment. Store wastes in their original containers with the labels intact. Keep them out of the reach of children and pets and away from heat. Check pages 6 and 7 for recycling options, or save waste for a **Household Hazardous Waste Collection** listed on page 11. Contact the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department for more information: lincoln.ne.gov, (keyword: household) or 402-441-8021.

Proper disposal of...



For information about latex paint exchange see page 11.

LATEX PAINT

- ▶ Do NOT pour liquid paint down the drain, in the street or storm drain, on the ground or in the trash.
- ▶ Dry it out! Place it in a safe, ventilated area out of the rain.
- ▶ Combine larger amounts of paint with cat litter or paint hardener. Speed drying time by spreading paint in a plastic-lined box.
- ▶ Place dry paint and empty cans (with lids off) in the trash for regular collection.

Safe Homes for Seniors

“I’m a senior citizen. So what should I do with my old, dangerous chemicals?”

The medically-fragile and persons age 60 and older can take advantage of the City Safe Homes for Seniors program. The program seeks to minimize risks associated with hazardous and toxic products by helping older adults assess what chemicals are in their homes. The program also helps them sort and safely remove the products if needed.



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AGING PARTNERS and the Lincoln-
Lancaster County Health Department



All related **Safe Homes** program services and resources are free of charge. To request service for another person, contact the Home Handyman Service at 402-441-7030.

ANTIFREEZE

See if your neighbor or relative needs it before you dispose of it.

Keep antifreeze away from children and pets, since it can be poisonous.

If you are on a City sewer system, you can dispose of excess antifreeze by pouring it down the toilet with excess water – Three parts water to one part antifreeze.

Do NOT pour antifreeze into a septic tank system. If you don't have access to a City sewer system, you can bring it to a Household Hazardous Waste Collection.

MEDICATIONS



- ▶ Do NOT flush down a sink, toilet or drain.
- ▶ Attend a “drug take-back” event on April 28. Google “Got Drugs” for more information.

If you can't attend, please follow these steps:

1. Pour liquid medicine into a sealable plastic bag or container.
2. If medicine is solid, crush it or add water to dissolve and place into bag.
3. Add cat litter or used coffee grounds to the bag.
4. Seal the bag and place it in your household trash.
5. Remove or eliminate all personal information on the medicine container and recycle.

Visit nebraskameds.org or lincoln.ne.gov
keyword: household.

Managing Yard Waste

LAWN AND GARDEN CHEMICALS

Leftover lawn and garden chemicals are commonly collected products at household hazardous waste collections. Overuse of chemicals affect the environment for all of us. Limit the fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides you use on your lawn or garden.

- ▶ Check with your local extension office for non-chemical alternatives, or use the least toxic alternative available.
- ▶ Purchase the smallest amount that will do the job. Any unused or leftover products may cause safety issues.
- ▶ Have your soil tested to see if your lawn needs additional phosphorus. If not, buy a no/low phosphorus fertilizer, or request that your lawn service use that type.
- ▶ Use slow-release fertilizer rather than liquid fertilizer. Usually one application per season is enough.
- ▶ Keep chemicals off of sidewalks and driveways. Anything entering the storm drains does NOT receive treatment.
- ▶ When using chemicals, follow safety and handling instructions.

Visit lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: household) for more information and tips.

BACKYARD COMPOSTING

Compost is a mixture of partially decomposed plant material and other organic wastes such as orange peels and coffee grounds. Using compost in the garden:

1. Reduces waste in our landfill.
2. Decreases the bulk density of the topsoil and increases moisture retention in soil.
3. Promotes increased root and leaf development as well as flower, fruit or vegetable production.
4. Saves money by reducing the need for fertilizers and pesticides.
5. Prevents the erosion of valuable nutrient-rich topsoil.



It's easy to compost in your own backyard. To learn how, attend a composting workshop (see page 11 for details). Visit recycle.lincoln.ne.gov for tips on composting at home.

GRASS AND LEAF COLLECTION

- ▶ From April 1 to December 1 of every year, grass and leaves cannot be mixed with other waste or placed in plastic bags for general waste collection.
- ▶ You can subscribe to a separate collection with your refuse hauler.
- ▶ Consider mulching grass clippings on your lawn or composting grass and leaves in your backyard.
- ▶ Grass and leaves may be self-hauled to the N. 48th Street Transfer Station. Materials must be dumped from bags and containers.
- ▶ Tree trimmings, garden waste and weeds may go with regular household garbage. Refuse haulers often request that tree branches be cut to certain lengths and bundled. Call your hauler for details.



LinGro Compost

You can enjoy the benefits of healthier soil, even if you don't compost. The City of Lincoln maintains a compost facility which receives grass, leaves and brush from residents and businesses.

This material is composted and available to the public in limited quantities.

LinGro is available at no charge at the 48th Street Transfer Station, 5101 N. 48th Street, if residents self-load the compost. Delivery and loading services are available for a nominal fee. Call 402-441-8215 for more information.



Calendar of Events

BACKYARD COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS

No registration necessary.
Workshops are FREE!

Tuesday, April 10

Eiseley Branch Library
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 17

Walt Branch Library
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

Pioneers Park
Nature Center
10 to 11 a.m.

Saturday, June 9

Pioneers Park
Nature Center
10 to 11 a.m.

Saturday, September 22

Pioneers Park
Nature Center
10 to 11 a.m.

Tuesday, October 9

Gere Branch Library
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 13

Pioneers Park
Nature Center
10 to 11 a.m.

Tuesday, October 16

Anderson Branch Library
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS

Date

Saturday, April 28

Saturday, May 19

Friday, June 8

Saturday, August 25

Saturday, September 22

Saturday, October 13

Friday, November 16

Location

Walmart, 8700 Andermatt Drive (87th & Hwy. 2)

Pfizer Inc., 601 W. Cornhusker Hwy.

Union College Parking Lot, 52nd & Cooper

Veyance Technologies, 4021 N. 56th

Lincoln Industries, 600 W. "E"

Woods Park parking lot, 31st & "J"

Appointment only - call 402-441-8084

Time

**All events are
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE QUESTIONS?

**402-441-8021 or
lincoln.ne.gov
keyword: household**

See page 6 and 7
for places to recycle.



Things you SHOULD bring to HHW Collections

Lawn & Garden

2,4,5-T
Chlordane
Dursban/Lorsban
Flea/tick products
Insect sprays
Lighter fluid
PCP
Pesticides
Pool chemicals
Rodent poisons
Weed killer

Automotive

Brake fluid
Grease removers
Mixed gasoline
Old gasoline
Power steering fluid
Transmission fluid
Upholstery cleaners

Home Improvement

Adhesives
Furniture stripper
Oil-based paint
Paint thinner
Stains, oil-based
Turpentine
Wood preservatives

Household

Bleach-based cleaners
Compact bulbs (CFLs)
Fluorescent tubes
Glues
Mercury thermometers
Mercury thermostats
Mothballs
Polishes (solvent-based)
Spot removers
Small capacitors
Small propane cylinders

Things you should NOT bring to HHW Collections

Latex paint (Take to a Usable Latex Paint Exchange, see below)

Ammunition
Antifreeze
Asbestos
Batteries
Electronics/televisions
Explosives and ammunition
Fertilizers
Fire extinguishers

General household or business trash
Medicines
Refillable gas cylinders
Tires
Used oil



USABLE LATEX PAINT EXCHANGES

Households can bring labeled cans half full or more of **usable** paint that has not been frozen and is smooth when stirred. FREE paint is available at the exchanges. Paint may be dropped off or purchased from EcoStores during regular store hours. **Businesses cannot bring paint, but can get FREE paint on these days.**

Sat. May 19 & Sat. Sep. 22

EcoStores Nebraska, 530 West "P" Street
9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call 402-477-3606 for details.

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

From **December 26, 2012 - January 14, 2013**, take your Christmas tree to one of the eight collection sites. After **January 15**, mulch made from these trees can be picked up at Hofeling Enterprises, 2200 South Folsom Court, on a first-come, first-served basis. More detailed information will be available on line and at Christmas Tree vendor locations.








NORTH

- 1 N.W. Roundhouse Dr. & West "P" streets
- 2 UNL Food Stores Warehouse, 1200 N. 17th Street
- 3 University Place, 47th & St. Paul streets
- 4 Recycling Enterprises, 6100 N. 70th Street
- 5 Russ's Market, 63rd and Havelock Avenue
- 6 Centro Plaza, 48th & "R" streets
- 7 Southeast Community College, 88th & "O" streets
- 8 48th Street Transfer, 5101 N. 48th Street
limited hours of operation
- 9 Air Park Recreation Center, 3710 N.W. 46th Street
- 10 Highlands Fire Station, 5435 N.W. 1st Street
- 11 North Star High School, 5801 N. 33rd Street
limited hours of operation
- 12 A & J Recycling Center, 3250 N. 20th Street, Unit 8
- 13 Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N. 84th Street

SOUTH

- 14 Leon's Food Mart, 32nd & South streets
- 15 Union College athletic field parking lot, 53rd & Calvert
- 16 East High School Seacrest Field parking lot, 70th & "A" streets
- 17 South of Randolph Car Wash, 21st & Monroe Avenue
- 18 Trabert Hall, 12th & South streets
- 19 Pepsi Cola Distribution Facility, 1901 Windhoek Drive
- 20 Russ's Market, 1550 S. Coddington
limited hours of operation
- 21 Russ's Market, 33rd & Highway 2
- 22 Midland Recycling, 440 "J" Street
- 23 Super Saver, 27th & Pine Lake

MAP KEY

-  Aluminum cans
-  Cardboard
-  Residential mixed paper
-  Glass bottles and jars
-  Newspaper
-  #1 thru #5 plastic containers
-  Tin cans

-  Newspaper only

ADDITIONAL COMMUNITIES

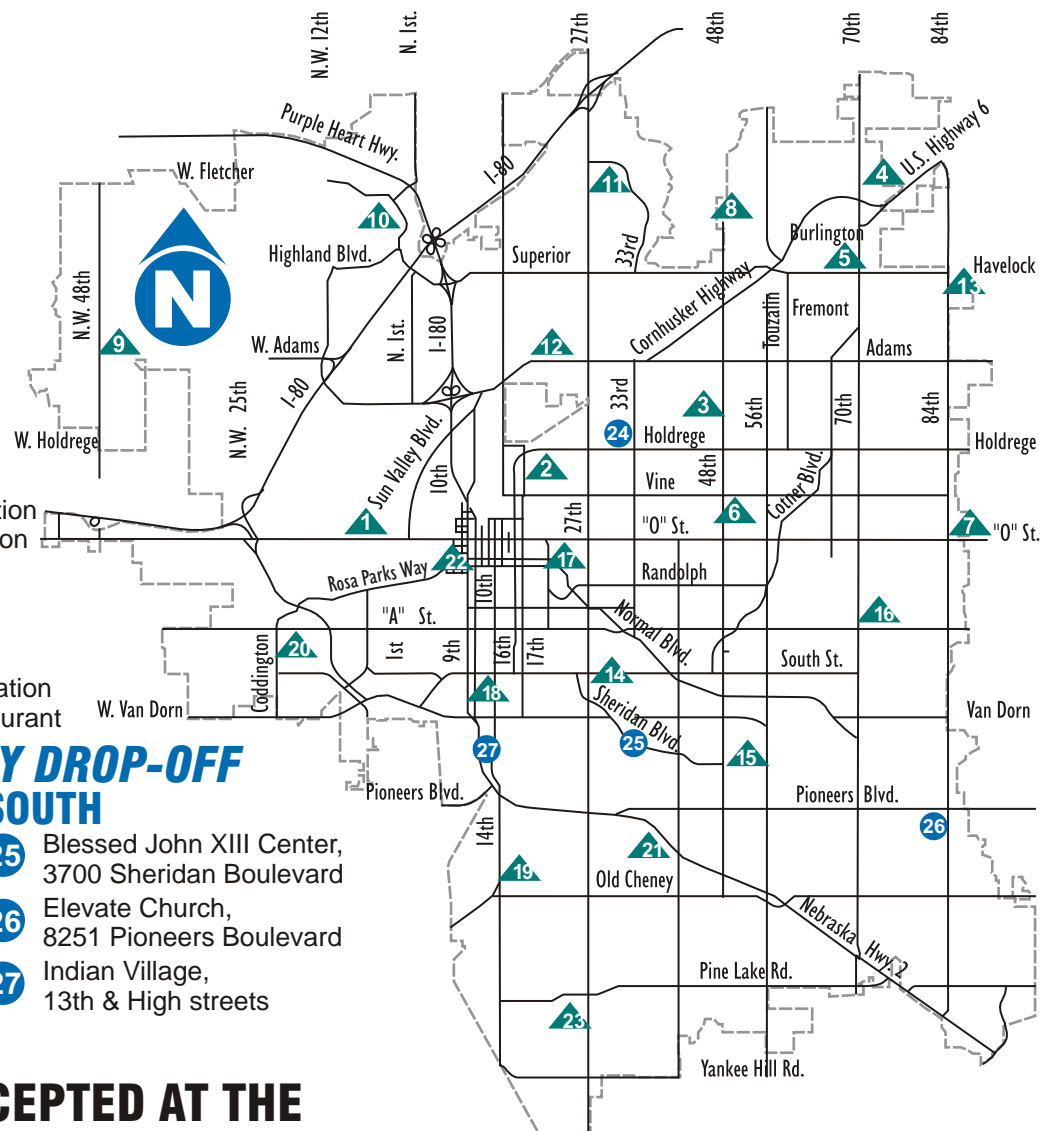
Bennet Refuse Transfer Station
 Davey Refuse Transfer Station
 Denton 2nd & 91st Streets
 Firth Community Center
 Hickman City Park
 Malcolm Village Shop
 Panama Refuse Transfer Station
 Waverly Honey Creek Restaurant

NEWSPAPER ONLY DROP-OFF

- 24** UNL East Campus parking lot behind Fire Station No. 2, 33rd & Holdrege streets

SOUTH

- 25** Blessed John XIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Boulevard
- 26** Elevate Church, 8251 Pioneers Boulevard
- 27** Indian Village, 13th & High streets



MATERIALS ACCEPTED AT THE MULTI-MATERIAL RECYCLING SITES

Newspapers



ACCEPTABLE

Inserts/ads are OK.
Put newspapers in paper bag.

NOT ACCEPTABLE

No other paper.

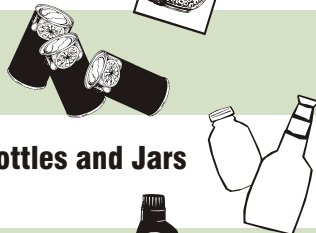
Cardboard Boxes



Flatten cardboard and paperboard (i.e. cereal boxes). All boxes must be flattened and placed inside recycling containers.

No packing material.
No waxed cardboard.

Cans



All food and beverage cans. Rinse, clean and flatten aluminum and tin cans and place in separate recycling compartments.

No aluminum foil.
No pie pans.
No metal cookware.
No metal parts.

Glass Bottles and Jars



All food and beverage glass. Green, brown and clear glass. Labels are OK. Rinse clean, take off lids, separate by color and place in separate recycling compartments.

No drinking glasses.
No window glass.
No light bulbs.
No lids.

Plastic #1 thru #5 Containers



All #1 thru #5 plastic bottles and containers. Labels are OK. Rinse clean. Take off lids. Flatten containers to save space.

No motor oil containers.
No plastic toys.
No other plastic #6 or #7 containers.
No plastic sacks.

No polystyrene packaging.
No plastic lawn chemical bottles.
No plastic syringes.

Residential Mixed Paper



Mail, magazines, office and school paper, telephone directories and shredded paper. Put clean paper together in paper bag.

No tissue paper.
No milk cartons or juice boxes.
No paper plates.
No newspaper.