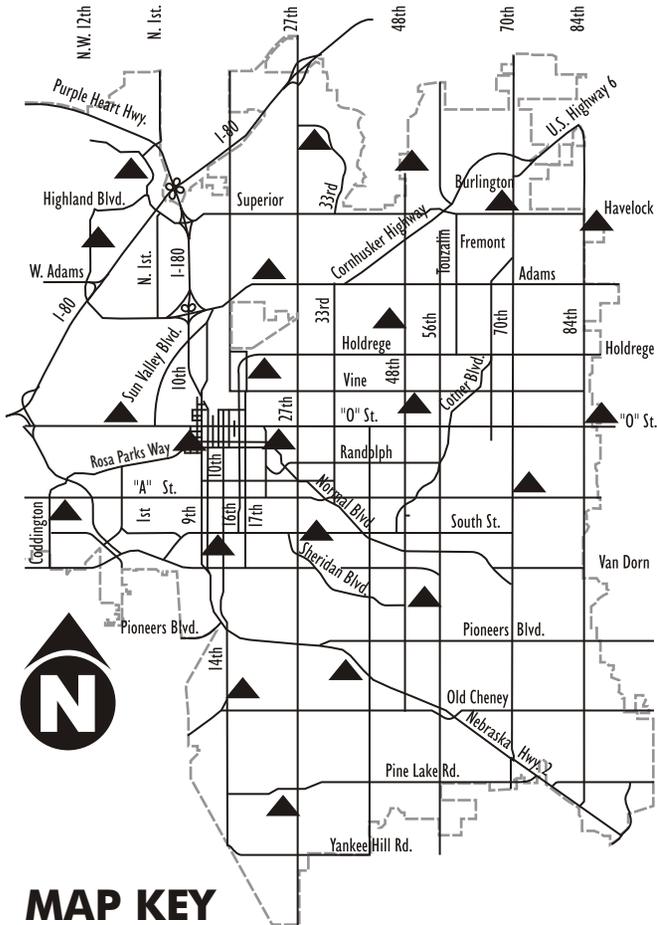


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## MAP KEY

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

## 4. Establish a routine.

Make sorting and dropping off recyclables part of your household chores. Remember these tips:

- ▶ Rinse or wash cans and bottles and remove the lids. Labels can remain on the container.
- ▶ Flatten cans and plastic bottles to save space.
- ▶ Anything that comes with the newspaper can be recycled with the newspaper (except the plastic bag).
- ▶ Remove packing material from cardboard boxes and paperboard packaging.
- ▶ You do not need to remove paper clips and staples on office paper and magazines.

## 5. Stay connected.

Watch for media updates on recycling and community recycling events such as paper shredding, latex paint exchanges and electronic and household hazardous waste collections.

- ▶ Share tips and tell your friends, family and neighbors about your recycling system.
- ▶ Visit [recycle.lincoln.ne.gov](http://recycle.lincoln.ne.gov).
- ▶ Look for us on facebook. Search for "City of Lincoln Recycling and Solid Waste Operations."

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## How to recycle in your apartment

*The challenge is to find creative ways to use your limited space.*



PLASTIC CONTAINERS

*Reusable bags can be used to sort and transport recycling.*



PAPER



CANS & BOTTLES

*Plastic tubs, laundry baskets or boxes also could be used.*

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## 1. Determine what materials you'd like to recycle.

The City recycling drop-off sites accept the following materials:

- Newspaper
- Cardboard boxes and fiberboard
- Packaging (i.e. cereal boxes)
- Aluminum and tin cans
- Glass bottles and jars
- Plastic #1-5 containers
- Residential mixed paper (i.e. junk mail, magazines, catalogs, telephone books)

## 2. Choose a handy spot in your apartment for recycling containers.

**Kitchen:** Here are a few ideas:

- ▶ Use door knobs and behind the door hooks to hang reusable bags with lighter recyclables such as flattened plastic containers.
- ▶ Slide containers into cabinets, under tables, bakers racks or other utility stands.
- ▶ A container under the sink can be a convenient place to store rinsed plastic, metal and glass.
- ▶ To make more space in your kitchen, store tools and appliances that you use infrequently in other parts of your apartment.

**Closet / Laundry / Pantry:** These offer other out-of-sight storage for recyclables.

- ▶ Clear extra space on shelving units.
- ▶ Place containers on the floor inside a closet or pantry.



**Bathroom:** Many products used in the bathroom are packaged in recyclable material such as plastic and paperboard.

- ▶ Place a container next to the regular bathroom trash for items such as shampoo bottles, soap boxes and toilet paper tubes.

**Office Area:** This area near the computer and printer produces a lot of paper waste.

- ▶ Locate the recycling container for office paper and newspaper next to or under the desk.
- ▶ Additional space might be available in a slide out drawer.
- ▶ Hang a reusable bag on a knob, hook or handle.

## 3. Find the nearest drop off site.

When containers become full take them to a recycling drop-off site.

- ▶ You'll find one of the 23 drop-off sites in the City on your routes to work, school or errands.
- ▶ You will want to regularly wipe out the container with hot water and sanitizing solution.



**Call the recycling hotline at 402-441-8215.**

**See reverse side for City of Lincoln Multi-Material Recycling Site Map!**

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