# Recycling Guide

Recycling just got easier… mix it all together!

## Cardboard
- Flatten boxes; remove large staples & plastic wrap; tape & labels are OK; must be clean; DO NOT bundle or tie together

## Paperboard
- Flatten; no plastic-coated paperboard that held liquid (e.g. milk cartons)

## Newspaper & Phonebooks
- Remove plastic strapping, rubber bands & plastic bags

## Magazines & Catalogs
- Remove from plastic bags

## Mail & Office Paper
- Put shredded paper in clear plastic bag; staples are OK; plastic windows in envelopes are OK

## Plastic Bottles, Jugs & Tubs
- Must be stamped 1-7; NO STYROFOAM; wash clean; labels are OK; throw away caps & lids

## Plastic Shopping Bags
- Must be empty, clean & dry; must be stamped or

## Metal Cans & Foil
- Wash clean; labels are OK; aerosol cans must be empty - throw away cap & nozzle

## Glass Bottles & Jars
- Clear & colored food or beverage glass; wash clean; remove lids & recycle (if metal); labels are OK

## Public Residential Recycling Stations
- Open to all residents of Kent County

**Rockford Recycling Center**
- 2908 Ten Mile Rd, Rockford
- Mon. - Sat. 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

**Kentwood Recycling Center**
- 5068 Breton SE, Kentwood
- Mon. - Fri. 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Grand Rapids Recycling Center**
- 977 Wealthy SW, Grand Rapids
- Mon. - Fri. 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

## Do Not Put These Items in the Recycling Bin:
- Large plastics and plastics without recycle symbol: pool covers, tarps, pools, toys, zip-top bags, cling wrap
- Electronics
- Plastic caps & lids
- Styrofoam (plates, cups, take-out boxes, egg cartons, packing material)
- Needles & medical waste
- Batteries
- Scrap metal
- Tools, screws & hardware
- Propane & helium tanks
- Paint cans
- Pots, pans & silverware
- Ceramics
- Dishes, paper plates & napkins
- Windows, doors & mirrors
- Paper cartons & juice boxes
- Label & sticker paper; photographs
- Plastic-coated or waxy paper
- Spiral-bound notebooks
- Books
- Pet food bags
- Glitter, ribbon or embellishments
- Wrapping paper & tissue paper
- Greasy or dirty paper
- Hazardous substance containers (antifreeze, motor oil, etc.)

* See www.recycleKent.org for disposal options for items with this * symbol

Have questions about what’s acceptable or how to prepare it? Have something you want to dispose of but are not sure how?

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