SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING

What is Single-Stream Recycling

Single-Stream Recycling (sometimes called commingled or single-sort recycling), refers to a form of recycling where all items can be placed in the same container. They are then transported to a facility where they are sorted.

How it works:

1. Collected
2. Transported
3. Sorted

What to Recycle & How

**PLASTIC**
- Soda bottles, water bottles
- Milk, jugs, cleaning bottles, plastic
- Vegetable oil bottles
- Squeezable food bottles
- Medicine bottles, aerosol caps, drinking straws
- CD cases, egg cartons, aspirin bottles
- Some food containers, Tupperware

**METAL** (ALUMINUM / STEEL / TIN)
- Drink cans, food cans, clean tin, foil baking trays

**PAPER**
- Newspaper, office paper, junk mail, tissue paper, magazines, phone books
- Light and bright colored paper, cardboard boxes, and corrugated cardboard
- Paper towels, facial tissues, wax coated cardboard, sticky notes, wax paper, photographs, gift wrap

**GLASS**
- All colors of glass accepted (non-brokent glass)

**YARD WASTE**
- Grass clippings, vines, stalks, flowers, and weeds
- Large branches, food, and organics

**NOT ACCEPTED**
- Pesticide caps, antifreeze or oil containers, plastic wrap, bubble wrap, bread bags, frozen food bags, toys, flower pots, shopping bags, styrofoam products.
- Jars & containers that sill have the lids on them or that have not been cleaned/rinsed.
- No Broken glass please.

Alternatives

**WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH YOUR BAGS?**

- **DROP THEM OFF**
  - Hy-Vee
  - Wal-Mart Supercenter

- **REDUCE THEM**
  - Avoid getting a plastic bag in the first place.
  - Remember to bring your reusable bag when you go shopping.

- **REUSE THEM**
  - Give your plastic bags a second life by using them as trash liners, dog waste bags, etc.
  - Or make them into something beautiful like this reusable grocery tote bag.

- **THRASH THEM**
  - Visit www.plasticfilmrecycling.org to find more drop-off locations.

**WHY?**

Due to changes in the recycling industry, plastic bags are no longer being accepted for recycling in the City of Brookings recycling carts. This includes individual bags and bags used to contain/collect recycling. Please read on to learn about the options that are available to you.

Process into Compost for Reuse

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