### Allegheny County Controller Chelsa Wagner's

# RECYCLING GUIDE

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In recent weeks, my office has received a number of inquiries about proper disposal of recyclables, which materials can and cannot be recycled, and how varying municipalities in Allegheny County handle recycling. While it is difficult to provide short answers due to the number of municipalities in the County and changing standards for what is recyclable, see the reverse side for a few general guidelines to follow.

I am pleased to be able to provide an interactive Allegheny County Recycling Map at <a href="https://bit.ly/AlleghenyRecycling">bit.ly/AlleghenyRecycling</a> which provides details of recycling services in each municipality and available facilities nearby.

To find out about recycling or e-waste pick-up where you live:

- (1) Check the box next to the desired service
- (2) Search for your address
- (3) Then click on the map anywhere near your home. It will tell you what items are accepted and includes a link to the municipality's waste and recycling website for more information.

For further questions, you can review the County's Recycling Resource Directory, contact your municipality, or call my Taxpayer Hotline at 412-350-4300. Although recycling properly can take some extra effort, making sure your household is doing its part can help to keep refuse out of our waterways and natural areas, lower the cost of municipal waste disposal, and reduce reliance on landfills. Working together, we can

make Allegheny County cleaner and greener.

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## **Recyclable in Most Areas**

Aluminum or Steel Cans
Plastics (#1 and #2)
Cardboard
Mixed Paper
Magazines
Newspaper
Junk Mail

# May or May Not be Recyclable (check local guidelines)

Plastics (#3-#7)
Glass Bottles
Food and Beverage Cartons

## Never Recyclable at curbside

Ceramics
Glass (other than bottles)
Plastic Bags (Can be recycled at most
supermarkets)
Electronics (See listing of Dropoff Points)



State law now bans disposal of many electronics which can contain harmful materials that pollute water and soil. A number of services around the County can safely accept and recycle these:

#### **Construction Junction**

Accepts building materials, furniture, appliances, fluorescent bulbs, and batteries (possible fees)

14 N. Lexington Street, Point Breeze

#### **Evolution E-Cycling**

Accepts: electronics including computers, monitors, televisions, wires, cables, servers, printers, cell phones, etc. 2235 Mary Street, South Side

# City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Environmental Services

Accepts: electronics, light bulbs, and hazardous materials (possible fees) 3001 Railroad Street, Strip District

#### **Goodwill of Southwestern Pennsylvania**

Accepts: computers and printers.



#### **Batteries Plus Bulbs**

Accepts batteries, light bulbs, and fluorescent tubes (possible fees)
Locations at:
4808 McKnight Road, North Hills
912 Library Road, South Hills
3467 William Penn Highway, Monroeville

402 Home Drive, Moon Twp.

